

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION
COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: RALPH ABERNATHY

PART 5 OF 5

FBI

Date: 5/8/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, WFO

CHANGED

LUCIUS L. VALERA; aka
James Stewart

CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR., - VICTIMS

ET AL

EXTORTION

(OO:MP)

(WFO File 9-2256) (P)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIMS

ET AL

EXTORTION

(OO:AT)

(WFO File 9-NEW) (P)

Title of first case in dual caption above marked "CHANGED" to reflect name used in return address in letter, info pertaining to which is enclosed with this airtel, as subject of previous case is probably identical with subject who wrote this letter.

ReWFOteletype to Bu, 5/1/69, and airtel and LHM of same date, both titled VALERA as above; and Buteletype to WFO and AT, 5/6/69, titled JEFFRIES as above.

- 5 - Bureau (Enc. 9)
- 3 - Minneapolis (Enc. 2)
- 3 - Atlanta (Enc. 2)
- 2 - WFO

ENCLOSURE

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AIRTEL

b7c

7/13/69

JUN 3 1969

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

WFO 9-2256

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM dated and captioned VALERA, aka Stewart, as above. Also enclosed for the Bureau are the originals of the letter and envelope from STEWART, marked obscene. Two copies of an FD 376 also enclosed for the Bureau.

Enclosed for Minneapolis and Atlanta are two copies each of same LHM. One copy of LHM designated for WFO of the U.S. Secret Service.

For the information of Minneapolis, info from Bureau teletype dated 5/6/69, to WFO and Atlanta follows:

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM;
HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO:MP)

ReWFOteletype to the Bu 5/1/69 captioned "LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, III - VICTIM; JULIAN BOND - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM; H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM. EXTORTION. OO: MP". For the information of WFO, Atlanta was advised that the office of Southern Christian Leadership Conference in receipt of obscene letter threatening lives of listed victims, postmarked Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 10, 1969, with return address DALE CARL JEFFRIES, 607 Water Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Atlanta unfamiliar with name RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD.

WFO and Atlanta should coordinate these two investigations in the hope of identifying a common denominator. Attention is invited to the fact that both letters were postmarked in Minneapolis, Minnesota. WFO should furnish background info to Atlanta concerning RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD and advise appropriate local authorities in the event MAYFIELD is presently in the WDC, area. WFO advise MAYFIELD of threat.

Air Mail copy sent Miami.

WFO 9-2256

For the info of Atlanta, RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD is described as follows: "A publically described local racial agitator in Washington, D.C. whose presence at racial disturbances has been widely reported by the local press. He was founder of Pride, Inc., in 1967, an organization funded by the U.S. Department of Labor to provide jobs for ghetto youths. He currently claims employment as a speaker at various colleges throughout the country. He is currently on probation on a narcotics charge [REDACTED]

b7c U.S. Capitol Police, U.S. Secret Service, Intelligence Division, and Metropolitan Police Department Intelligence Unit, WDC, advised of letter from STEWART. MPD Intelligence Unit advised of threat against MAYFIELD.

WFO attempting to contact MAYFIELD.

Investigation in LHM conducted by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Laboratory is requested to compare handwriting in enclosed letter with the handwriting previously submitted in this case from VALERA and with handwriting in the JEFFRIES case.

The Identification Division is requested to process letter and envelope for latent fingerprints.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

- AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA. 1. Present to USA.
2. Continue attempts to identify subject.

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, D. C. Advise MAYFIELD of threat.



In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D.C. 20535

May 8, 1969

LUCIUS L. VALERA,
Also Known As
James Stewart;
CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - Victim
JULIAN BOND - Victim
STOKLEY CARMICHAEL - Victim
CASSIUS CLAY - Victim
LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - Victim
H. RAP BROWN - Victim
CARL STOKES - Victim
EXTORTION

Reference memorandum dated May 1, 1969.

b7c On May 6, 1969, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Office of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Jr.,
Room 2244, Rayburn Building, House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C., made available to Special Agents of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation, a letter received at the
Congressman's office on that date, which was postmarked on
May 5, 1969, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. The return address on
the letter was "James Stewart, 1429 N. 7th Street, Rochester,
Minn.". Both the letter and envelope were on stationery of the
Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The let-
ter, a copy of which is attached in an envelope marked "Obscene",
contains threats against Congressman Powell.

The writer of this letter is possibly identical with
the writer of the previous similar letter who used the name Valera.

The following local authorities in Washington, D.C.,
have been notified of this letter:

↑
b7c Special Agent [REDACTED] United States Secret
Service Intelligence Division;
[REDACTED] Metropolitan Police Depart-
ment Intelligence Unit;
[REDACTED] United States Capitol Police.

↓ Attachment - 1

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ENCLOSURE



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

May 8, 1969

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☒ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☐ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☐ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) ☐ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available
☐ may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Washington Field Office,
Washington, D.C.

enclosure(s)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form
becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)

FBI

Date: 5/7/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: FBI LABORATORY *b7c*
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-1911) (P)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
 ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM
 CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
 CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
 SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM
 HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
 CASIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
 RUFUS CARRISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
 STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
 EXTORTION - RM
 (OO: MINNEAPOLIS)

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 5/6/69, and
 Bureau teletype to WFO dated 5/6/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM,
 and for all recipient offices two copies of same LHM, dated
 and captioned as above, and suitable for dissemination.

Also enclosed for the Bureau is the original of
 the extortion letter and envelope marked "obscene".

- ② Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM) **MCT-40**
 2-Minneapolis (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Milwaukee (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Cleveland (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Los Angeles (Enc. 2) (RM) **REC-105**
 2-New York (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Louisville (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Miami (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Jackson (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-WFO (Enc. 2) (RM)
 2-Atlanta

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100 LHM
 I-O NT-C2
 See Ser - C2
 5/13/69

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
 Special Agent in Charge
 ENCLOSURE ATTACHED



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
May 7, 1969

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM
CARL STOKES - VICTIM
CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM
SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM
HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM
RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

b7c On May 6, 1969, [REDACTED] Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Offices, 334 Auburn Avenue, Southeast, Atlanta, Georgia, made available to a Special Agent of the FBI a letter received by the SCLC Offices on May 5, 1969, which was addressed to SCLC President Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, postmarked May 2, 1968, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. The return address on the envelope was DALE CARL JEFFRIES, 607 Water Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The letter, which was obscene, contained threats against the lives of the above-listed victims. A copy of the letter and its envelope is attached in an envelope marked "obscene".

b7c [REDACTED] advised that Reverend ABERNATHY has been made aware of the letter and its contents. She stated that the name DALE CARL JEFFRIES and the date May 12, 1969, had no significance to Reverend ABERNATHY or herself.

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DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM

b7c

[REDACTED] External Security
Division, Atlanta Police Department, Atlanta, Georgia,
was notified of this letter on May 6, 1969.

AT 9-1911

The FBI Laboratory is also requested to compare handwriting with similar samples contained in the anonymous letter file.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Attempt to identify subject in instant case and afore-mentioned LUCIUS L. VALERA.

Present to USA.

OTHER RECEIVING OFFICES

Notify appropriate local authorities and victims if possible.

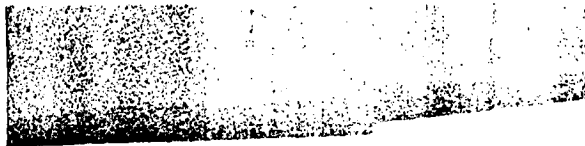
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AT ATLANTA, GA.

will maintain contact with SCLC Offices, Atlanta, Georgia.

OBSCENE

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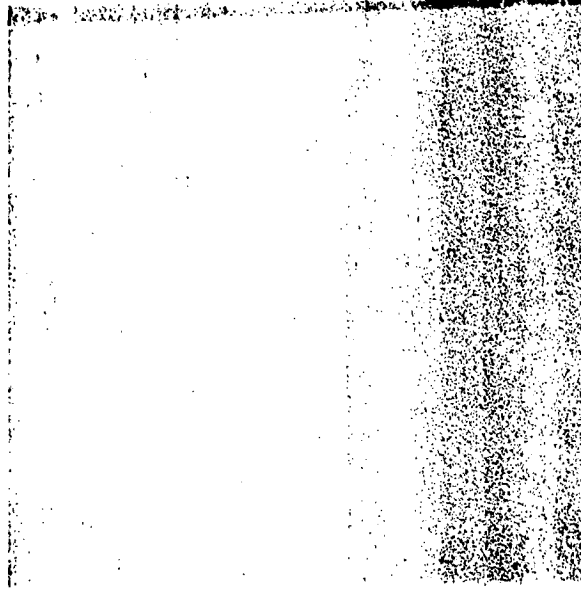
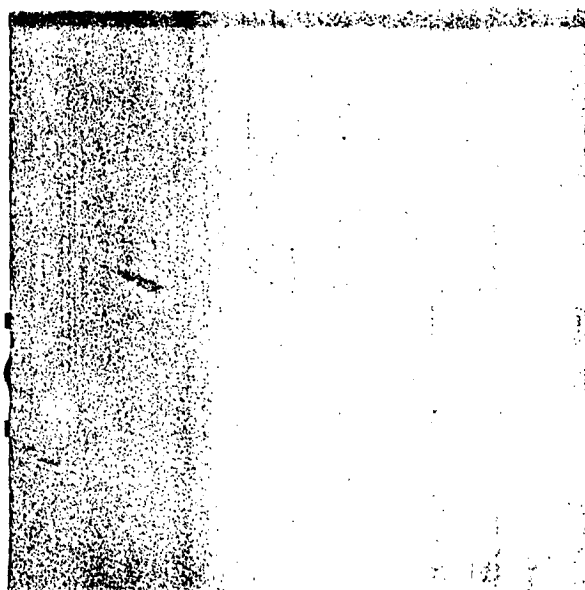
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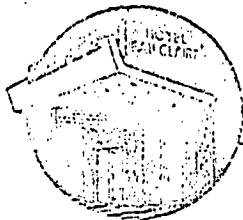
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OBSCENE

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without supervisor's permission.

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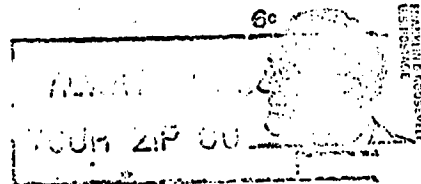
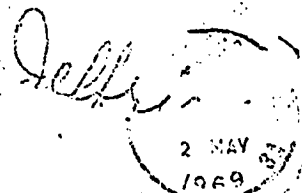




Hotel Eau Claire

NORTHWEST'S FINEST HOTEL

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54701

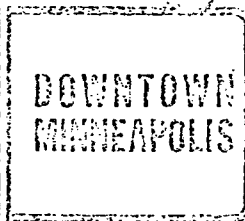
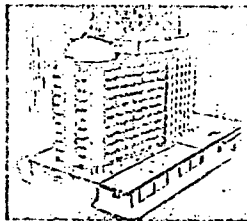


Rev. Ralph Abernethy
c/o Southern Christian Leadership
Conference,
Atlanta,
Georgia

Personal

Dale Carl Collins
- 607 Water St.
Eau Claire, Wisc.





May 2, 1969

Rev. Ralph Abernathy:

Well, black
mother-fucker, your days
are numbered. This is
the very last straw.
Mother fucker, you will
be assassinated May 12th,
in your own home,
nigger bastard.

The Ku Klux Klan has
decree your death.

Before you die, we will
rip your balls out of
their socket, then hang
you on a scaffold.

ROOMS - APARTMENTS

AREA CODE 218-722-0093

Cascade Motor Hotel

NIGGER

FIRST AVENUE WEST AND THIRD STREET

C. WICK, MANAGER

DULUTH, MINNESOTA 55806

2, While you hang, you
will be set on fire,
Stokely Carmichael, Sam
Davis Jr, Harry Belafonte,
Cassius Clay, the draft
dodging yellow nigger,
Reverend Martin Luther King,
Adam Clayton Powell,
Carl Stokes, his brother,
Charles Evers, and many
more Nigger communists
like yourself must die.
You are doomed Nigger!
The Ku Klux Klan
will burn you all
alive. Signed
K. K. K. K. K.

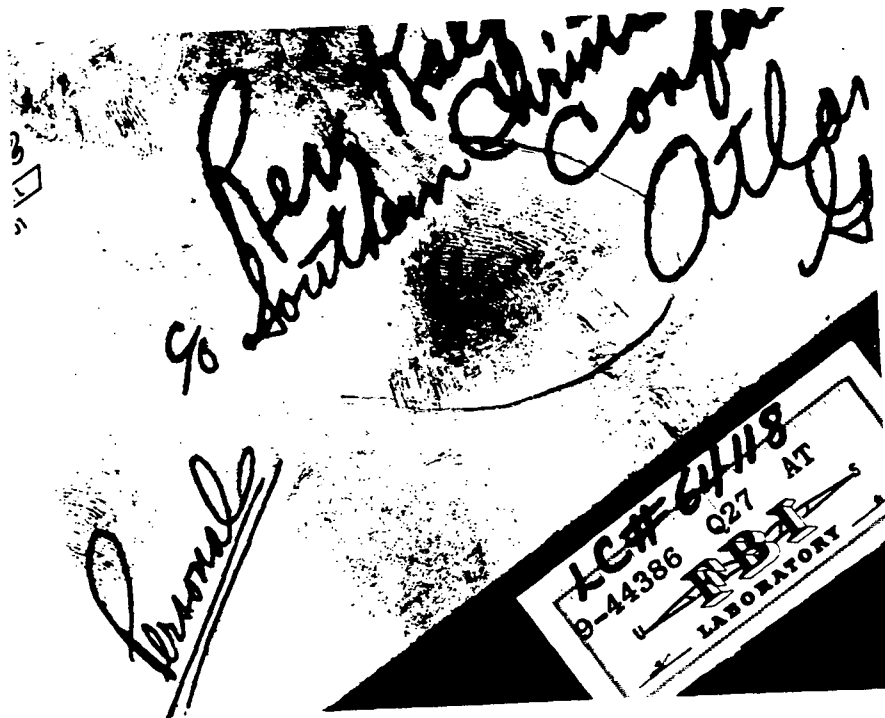
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All latents through Q29
compared Fpts

[REDACTED]
FBI# [REDACTED]

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FBI# [REDACTED]



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.

9-1911

FBI FILE NO.

9-44388-31

LATENT CASE NO.

64118

June 10, 1969

TO: SAC, Atlanta

UNSUB., AKA LUCIUS L. VALERA
DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
RE: REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION - RM

REFERENCE: Airtel 5/7/69

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Atlanta

SPECIMENS: One envelope, Q27

A two-page accompanying letter, Q28 and Q29

The listed Q specimens are further described in the
Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

One latent fingerprint of value developed on the envelope,
Q27. No latent impressions of value developed on Q28 and Q29.

The latent fingerprint not identical with the fingerprints
of [redacted] FBI [redacted] or [redacted]
FBI [redacted] who have previously been named as suspects this case.
On basis information furnished, no fingerprints located for elimination
purposes of [redacted] named in your airtel.

Specimens enclosed.

Enc. (3)

Minneapolis (9-1449)

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

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59 JUN 19 1969

RECORDED
5/12/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Recorded 5-29-69 11:05 a.m.

Received 5-29-69

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM; SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM; STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM; EXTORTION - RM**

File # 9-44386-31
Lab. # D-690512070 AT
LC#64118

Examination requested by: **ATLANTA (9-1911) A. 5/7/69** **OO: Minneapolis**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Date received: **5/9/69**

Result of Examination:

PREV. NAMED SUSPECTS

Examination by:

Names submitted for elimination purposes of:

- no rec. located C.D. basis info. furn.

No lab val I

Q27 to photo minly.

relate Q28 or Q29 with 6.2 cos

1. 1st val on Q27 - no lab. val on Q27 with 5.11

Specimens submitted for examination

Q27 BX Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 3A PM 2 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Rev. Ralph Abernathy c/o Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia"

Q28 Page one of two-page handwritten letter dated May 2, 1969, beginning "Rev. Ralph Abernathy: Well, black..." ending "...you on a scaffold."

Q29 Page two of ~~XXXXXX~~ two-page handwritten letter ~~XXXX~~ beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."

Lab report not to 2 suspects prev. named.

Lab report ignore

2 - Minneapolis (9-1449)

Elimination completed **4:00 PM 6/6/69** Dictated

Time

Date

Date

Optional Form No. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: ^{Date} DIRECTOR, FBI

Date: 5/15/69

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (9-1104) RUC

b7c SUBJECT: DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
ET AL
EXTORTION

OO: MP

Re Atlanta teletype 5/6/69 and Milwaukee teletype,
5/6/69.

b7c The following investigation was conducted by
SA [REDACTED] on 5/6/69:

AT EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN b7c

The name of DALE CARL JEFFRIES does not appear in
the Eau Claire, Wisconsin, City Directory, the Eau Claire,
Wisconsin, Telephone Directory or the directory of Wisconsin
State University at Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

↑
b7c [REDACTED] Eau Claire Police
Department, advised that subject's name does not appear in
the files of this department.

↓
[REDACTED] Eau Claire, Wisconsin, advised
subject is not known to him.

- 2 - Bureau
- 1 - Atlanta (Info.)
- 1 - Cleveland (Info.)
- 1 - Louisville (Info.)
- 1 - Miami (Info.)
- 2 - Minneapolis
- 1 - New Orleans (Info.)
- 1 - Milwaukee

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[REDACTED] Eau Claire Police
Department, advised subject is unknown to him.

[REDACTED] Eau Claire Sheriff's
Office, advised subject's name does not appear in the files
of this department.

[REDACTED] Eau Claire Sheriff's
Office, advised subject is unknown to him.

[REDACTED] Northwestern Credit Bureau, Inc.,
advised subject's name does not appear in the files of this
agency.

[REDACTED] Hotel Eau Claire, advised that
there is no record that subject was registered in this hotel
in the past 60 days.

[REDACTED] Postmaster, advised that the records
of the Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Post Office contain no refer-
ence to subject in the past or present as receiving mail,
and that there is no forwarding address listed for subject.

Personal investigation reflects that 607 Water is
a nonexistent address in that the numbers on Water Street
jump from 601 Water to 609 Water.

On 5/7/69, the following advised that subject was
unknown to them:

[REDACTED] Eau Claire
[REDACTED] Eau Claire
[REDACTED] Eau Claire

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/14/69

b7c
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (9-274) (C)

SUBJECT: DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM;
HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION - RM
OO: MINNEAPOLIS

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, New Orleans, and
Jackson, 5/6/69. *b7c*

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an
LHM in captioned matter. Two copies of enclosed LHM
furnished Minneapolis as office of origin.

One copy of LHM forwarded USA, Jackson, and
OSI, Jackson; and two copies forwarded MIGp, Jackson.

Jackson Division contemplating no additional
investigation in this matter.

REC 44

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2 - Bureau (Encs. 11) (RM)
2 - Minneapolis (Encs. 2) (RM)
2 - Jackson (1 - 9-274)
 b7c (1 - 170-634)

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12 MAY 19 1969
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(6)
56 MAY 29 1969

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi

May 14, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM;
HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to a previous letterhead memorandum submitted in this matter dated May 7, 1969.

In the referenced letterhead memorandum, the Atlanta Division of the FBI advised as follows:

"On May 6, 1969, [REDACTED]

b7c
Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Offices, 334 Auburn Avenue, Southeast, Atlanta, Georgia, made available to a Special Agent of the FBI a letter received by the SCLC Offices on May 5, 1969, which was addressed to SCLC President Reverend Ralph Abernathy, postmarked May 2, 1969, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. The return address on the envelope was Dale Carl Jeffries, 607 Water Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The letter, which was obscene, contained threats against the lives of the above-listed victims.

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ENCLOSURE

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY, ET AL -
VICTIMS

b7c
[REDACTED] advised that Reverend
Abernathy has been made aware of the letter
and its contents. She stated that the name
Dale Carl Jeffries and the date May 12, 1969,
had no significance to Reverend Abernathy or
herself."

On May 6, 1969 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was contacted
by a Special Agent of the FBI and advised regarding the
previously mentioned obscene threatening letter [REDACTED]
stated he was not afraid of anyone who writes him a
threatening letter, since he has received numerous threats
by different means over the past several years. [REDACTED]
stated that Dale Carl Jeffries is unknown to him.

On May 6, 1969, the following individuals were
advised by Special Agents of the FBI of the obscene
threatening letter which in part contained a threat
against Charles Evers:

b7c
[REDACTED]
Sheriff, Jefferson County
Mississippi

[REDACTED]
Town Marshal
Fayette, Mississippi

[REDACTED]
Jackson, Mississippi
Police Department

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY, ET AL -
VICTIMS

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[REDACTED]

Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol
Jackson, Mississippi

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR, NEW ORLEANS, AND JACKSON
FROM ATLANTA 9-NEW

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM
CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES
EVERS - VICTIM; SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; HARRY BELAFONTE -
VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM. OO- MINNEAPOLIS. EXTORTION -
RACIAL MATTERS. [REDACTED] Victim

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, MILWAUKEE, CLEVELAND, LOS ANGELES, NEW
ORLEANS, NEW YORK, LOUISVILLE, AND MIAMI.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF JACKSON, RE TEL STATES AS FOLLOWS:

ATLANTA, GA., OFFICE OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,
(SCLC) IN RECEIPT OF OBSCENE LETTER THREATENING LIVES OF LISTED
VICTIMS, POSTMARKED MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, MAY TWO, SIXTYNINE,
WITH RETURN ADDRESS DALE CARL JEFFRIES, SIX ZERO SEVEN WATER
STREET, EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN.

ATLANTA UNFAMILIAR WITH NAME RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD.

NO LEAD BEING SET OUT TO CONTACT STOKELY CARMICHAEL AS RESULT
OF HIS BEING OUT OF COUNTRY.

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COPIES INSTANT TELETYPE BEING SENT LOUISVILLE AND MIAMI AS INFO
CLAY IN ONE OF TWO CITIES.

RECEIVING OFFICES NOTIFY APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND
VICTIMS.

MILWAUKEE, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SUBJECT.

LHM TO FOLLOW.

NEW ORLEANS DISREGARD LEAD.

JACKSON, NOTIFY CHARLES EVERS AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

AIR MAIL COPY FURNISHED MINNEAPOLIS.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO: DIRECTOR, ATLANTA AND MINNEAPOLIS

FROM: MILWAUKEE (9-1104)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REV. RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM,
ET AL, OO: MP. b7c

RE ATLANTA TEL TO BUREAU INSTANT.

NAME OF DALE CARL JEFFRIES DOES NOT APPEAR IN EAU
CLAIRE, WISCONSIN CITY DIRECTORY, TELEPHONE DIRECTORY,
DIRECTORY WISCONSIN STATE UNIVERSITY AT EAU CLAIRE,
FILES OF EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN PD OR NORTHWESTERN CREDIT
BUREAUS, INC. NO RECORD EAU CLAIRE POST OFFICE OF
SUBJECT EVER HAVING RECEIVED MAIL OR HAVING LEFT FORWARDING
ADDRESS. ADDRESS SIX ZERO SEVEN WATER STREET,
EAU CLAIRE IS FICTIOUS AS NUMBERS JUMP FROM SIX ZERO
ONE TO SIX ZERO NINE WATER STREET. b7c

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AIRMAIL COPIES SENT CLEVELAND, LOS ANGELES, NEW
ORLEANS, NEW YORK, LOUISVILLE, MIAMI.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI; MILWAUKEE; CLEVELAND; LOS ANGELES; NEW
ORLEANS; NEW YORK; LOUISVILLE; AND MIAMI
FROM ATLANTA (9-NEW)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM
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STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM. OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

EXTORTION

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MILWAUKEE, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW SUBJECT.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

May 6, 1969
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Atlanta, Georgia, office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference received obscene threatening letter postmarked May 2, 1969, Minneapolis, bearing return address Dale Carl Jeffries, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Letter identified proposed victims as Reverend Ralph Abernathy, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., Carl Stokes and other well-known Negroes. Bureau Offices are presently advising appropriate local authorities of the threats to the victims. This letter may be connected in some way with a similar letter received last week in the Washington, D. C. office of Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. The letter directed to Congressman Powell also threatens a number of well-known Negroes including many of the same victims described in attached. The Powell letter is postmarked April 29, 1969, at Minneapolis bearing return address of Lucius L. Valera, St. Paul Minnesota. Investigation to identify unknown subject continuing.

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MAY 6 1969
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TO SACs, WFO
ATLANTA

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM
CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES
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VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM. EXTORTION. OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

RE WFO TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR FIVE ONE SIXTYNINE
CAPTIONED QUOTE LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON
POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, III - VICTIM; JULIAN
BOND - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER -
VICTIM; H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM. EXTORTION.
OO: MINNEAPOLIS UNQUOTE FOR THE INFORMATION OF WFO. ATLANTA
HAS ADVISED THAT THE OFFICE OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE IN RECEIPT OF OBSCENE LETTER THREATENING LIVES OF
LISTED VICTIMS, POSTMARKED MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, MAY TWO
SIXTYNINE, WITH RETURN ADDRESS DALE CARL JEFFRIES, SIX ZERO

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____ SEVEN WATER STREET, EAU CLAIRE WISCONSIN. ATLANTA UNFAMILIAR

Mohr _____
Bishop _____ WITH NAME RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD.

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Gale _____

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TELETYPE TO SACs, WFO, ATLANTA

RE: DALE CARL JEFFRIES; ET AL

WFO AND ATLANTA SHOULD COORDINATE THESE TWO INVESTIGATIONS IN THE HOPE OF IDENTIFYING A COMMON DENOMINATOR. ATTENTION IS INVITED TO THE FACT THAT BOTH LETTERS WERE POSTMARKED IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA. WFO SHOULD FURNISH BACKGROUND INFORMATION TO ATLANTA CONCERNING RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD AND ADVISE APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN THE EVENT MAYFIELD IS PRESENTLY IN THE WASHINGTON, D. C., AREA. WFO ADVISE MAYFIELD OF THREAT. AM COPY SENT MIAMI.

NOTE:

An obscene threatening letter signed Lucius L. Valera postmarked April 29, 1969, at Minneapolis, was sent to the Washington office of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. This letter directed threats to several well-known Negroes. On May 2, 1969, an obscene threatening letter signed Dale Carl Jeffries was postmarked at Minneapolis, Minnesota. This letter was directed to the Atlanta, Georgia, office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and contained threats to a number of well-known Negroes including some of those identified in the letter received by Congressman Powell.

WFO and Atlanta have been advised to coordinate investigations into these Extortion cases in the hope of identifying a common denominator. Since victim Mayfield is unknown to Atlanta, WFO has been instructed to furnish background concerning him to Atlanta and to advise appropriate local authorities. .

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Date: 5/6/69

Transmit the following in PLAIN
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE URGENT
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (AIR MAIL)
SAC, ATLANTA (AIR MAIL)
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS
SAC, NEW YORK

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-4088)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY, ET AL
DASH VICTIMS. OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE MAY SIX INSTANT.

FOR INFO NEW YORK, HARRY BELAFONTE RESIDES [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NEW YORK, WITH OFFICES BELAFONTE
ENTERPRISES, ONE FIVE SEVEN WEST FIFTY SEVENTH STREET, NEW
YORK.

[REDACTED] SAMMY DAVIS, JR., ADVISED
ON MAY SIX INSTANT THAT SAMMY DAVIS, JR., CURRENTLY APPEARING
MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, ACCOMPANIED BY BUSINESS AGENT SY MARSH.
DAVIS WILL RETURN LOS ANGELES MAY FIFTEEN NEXT. DAVIS TO
APPEAR PLAYBOY CLUB, LAKE GENEVA, WISCONSIN, JUNE ONE THROUGH

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Approved: [REDACTED]

Sent _____ M Per _____

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TENTH NEXT [REDACTED] WILL NOTIFY DAVIS OF THREAT. DAVIS
RESIDES ONE ZERO FIVE ZERO SUMMITT DRIVE, BEVERLY HILLS,
CALIFORNIA. HE HIRES PRIVATE GUARDS. [REDACTED]
DETECTIVE BUREAU, BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA POLICE DEPARTMENT,
ADVISED.

BUREAU AND ATLANTA ADVISED AIR MAIL. (P)

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9-4088) (RUC)

DATE: 5/21/69

SUBJECT: DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY;
ET AL - VICTIMS
EXTORTION

OO: Minneapolis

Re Atlanta teletype to the Bureau dated 5/6/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM concerning captioned matter dated as above. Two copies of the LHM are furnished for the information of the Minneapolis Division.

[b7c] [redacted] Sammy Davis, Jr.,
Enterprises, and [redacted] Detective Bureau, Police
Department, Beverly Hills, California, were contacted by
SA [redacted]

No further investigation is being conducted by
Los Angeles.

[redacted] b7c

ENCLOSURE

- 2 - Bureau (Encls. 4)
- 2 - Minneapolis (Encls. 2)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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1cc LHM to
SAC New York
4/28/69
[redacted] b7c



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

May 21, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
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RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER

On May 6, 1969, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Southern Christian Leadership Conference
(SCLC) Offices, 334 Auburn Avenue, Southeast, Atlanta,
Georgia, made available to a Special Agent of the FBI at
Atlanta, Georgia, a letter received by the SCLC Offices
on May 5, 1969, addressed to SCLC President Reverend Ralph
Abernathy. The letter was postmarked May 2, 1969,
at Minneapolis, Minnesota. The return address on the
envelope was Dale Carl Jeffries, 607 Water Street, Eau
Claire, Wisconsin. The letter was obscene and contained
threats against the lives of the above listed victims.

[REDACTED] Sammy Davis, Jr.,
Enterprises, 2000 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California,
advised on May 6, 1969, that Mr. Davis was then appearing
in Mexico City, Mexico, and that his business agent was
with him. She noted that Mr. Davis was scheduled to return
to Los Angeles on May 15, 1969, and that he would appear in
the Playboy Club, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, June 1 through
June 10, 1969.

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DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
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EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER

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[REDACTED] noted that she was in regular mail and telephonic contact with Mr. Davis and would communicate with him concerning the receipt of the letter at the SCLC Offices. [REDACTED] noted that Mr. David is continually the object of hate mail, and that he hires permanent guards at his residence located at 1050 Summitt Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

[REDACTED] Detective Bureau, Beverly Hills, California, Police Department, was contacted on May 6, 1969, and was advised of the nature of the letter.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.

9-2358

FBI FILE NO.

9-44386

LATENT CASE NO.

64118

May 29, 1969

TO: SAC, WFO

RE: LUCIO L. VALERA, AKA
JAMES STEWART
CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIMS
ET AL.
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 5-8-69
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: WFO
SPECIMENS: One envelope, Q24
One two-page letter, Q25 and Q26

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by Letter 1c 14-76
Per FOIA Request

The listed Q specimens are described in the Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

No latent impressions of value developed on the specimens, which are enclosed.

Latent fingerprints previously developed on Q1 and Q2, this case, which were submitted by Minneapolis Division in November, 1965, not identical with fingerprints of [REDACTED] FBI [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] previously named as suspects this case. No palm prints here for [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

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MAY 29 1969

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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RECORDED
5/12/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Recorded 5-23-69 3:00 p.m. Received 5-23-69

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: LUCIUS L. VALERA, aka James Stewart
CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. -
VICTIMS et al.
EXTORTION
OO: Minneapolis

File # 9-44386-5
Lab. # D-690509050 AT
LC# 64118

L A T E N T

DALE CARL JEFFRIES,

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIMS; et al.; EXTORTION; OO: Atlanta

Examination requested by: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

A. 5/8/69

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 5/9/69

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

No lats val dev. I, min. SN. 5/26/69
(No previous lats.) *(Lat fpts prev. devel*
Specs encl. *on Q14 Q2 subm. by*
Minneapolis, Nov. 1965
Lat. rep't separate note fpts 2
specimens shown
below - no pps)

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q24 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 3B AM 5 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Hon. Adam Clayton Powell U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C."
- Q25 Page one of accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated May 4, 1969, beginning "Adam Clayton Powell: Well..." ending "...animal."
- Q26 Page two of accompanying two-page handwritten letter beginning "2. If you think..." signed "Signature K.K.K."

Previously named suspects:

2 - Minneapolis
2 - Atlanta

on incoming

The 2 captioned cases are actually one & same case under above Bufile # re Lab & Records consol. - interested offices being advised.

Examination completed

Time

Date

Dictated

Date

ENCLOSURE A

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- ☒ The following number is to be used for reference regarding these pages:

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5/6/69

Airtel

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI Laboratory

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (9-1449)

SUBJECT: LUCIUS L. VALERA;
CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, III - VICTIM;
JULIAN BOND - VICTIM;
CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM;
H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM;
CARL STOKES - VICTIM.
EXTORTION

OO: Minneapolis

Re WFO telephone call, teletype, airtel and
LHM, dated 5/1/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 13 copies of an LHM,
captioned matter. Extra copies of the LHM have been
included for Bufiles 9-44336 and 157-3356, inasmuch as the
same individual possibly prepared the letters in these
cases. Also enclosed for the Bureau is a letter and
envelope prepared by [REDACTED] addressed to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] letter dated 2/19/62 and a letter dated
8/5/60, prepared by [REDACTED] the letter having been
furnished by a Minneapolis informant in 1961. Enclosed,
too, is a xerox copy of a card beginning "Dear [REDACTED]"
which was written by [REDACTED] Also enclosed for
the Bureau are two FD-36s.

Enclosed for WFO is 1 LHM, captioned matter.

- ③ - Bureau (ENC. 19) (RM)
1 - WFO (ENC. 1) (RM)
2 - Minneapolis

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Enclosure C

MP 9-1449

b7c by SA [redacted] Investigation at St. Paul, Minnesota conducted

Minneapolis indices contain no previous information identifiable with LUCIUS L. VALERA.

The following offices advise by teletypes on date instant that local authorities and victims notified:

Chicago, 5/3/69 (Victim CLAY)

Omaha, 5/2/69 (Victim BOND)

[redacted] furnished handwriting specimens on file with the Intelligence Unit of the Minneapolis Police Department of [redacted] noting that [redacted] has previously been identified with anti-Negro sentiments and is considered to be "Right Wing."

b7c [redacted] also furnished a xerox copy of a postcard written by [redacted] noting that [redacted] FBI # [redacted] was acquitted in a murder trial in 1968, at which trial it was noted [redacted] travels extensively, collects hotel and motel stationery and is a prolific note writer.

[redacted] advised on 5/5/69 that no subject has been identified in connection with the series of letters sent to the Mayor of Minneapolis and other individuals of prominence in this area; however, their investigation is continuing to identify this letter writer. [redacted] advised one other possible suspect is [redacted] a resident of rural Minnesota who is known to travel extensively and is known to be associated with "Ultra-Right causes."

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the enclosed handwriting of [redacted] and [redacted] with the letter which was directed to Congressman POWELL and also to other letters on file in Bureau file 9-44336, and additionally compare any handwriting appearing in the FBI record of [redacted] FBI # [redacted] to the letter in this case.

MP 9-1449

Upon receipt of the results of an examination conducted by the FBI Laboratory, a report will be submitted in this case for referral to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

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Date: 5/29/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (9-1658) (RUC)

SUBJECT : LUCIUS L. VALERA, Aka.
James Stewart;
Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL,
JR.; ETAL - VICTIMS
EXTORTION
(OO: MP);

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; 9-44386 AT
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY;
ETAL - VICTIMS
EXTORTION
(OO: MP)

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by Letter 10-14-76
Per FOIA Request

9-49520-7 CT 9-44386
Re Washington Field airtel to Bureau, 5/12/69.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are three sheets of handwriting samples provided by [REDACTED] and four sheets of handwriting samples provided by [REDACTED] on May 20, 1969.

Enclosed for Minneapolis are nine copies each of an investigative insert reflecting investigation at Cheltenham, Maryland on 5/20/69, FD-302 reflecting interview of [REDACTED] and FD-302 reflecting interview of [REDACTED]

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare handwriting on the enclosed samples provided by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] against the handwriting contained in the letters postmarked April 29, 1969 and May 5, 1969, which were addressed to the Honorable ADAM CLAYTON POWELL's office in Washington, D. C.

- ② - Bureau (Enc. 7) (REGISTERED MAIL)
2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 27)
1 - Baltimore

25 MAY 30 1969

Approved: [REDACTED]
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per [REDACTED]

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)**

Date: **June 13, 1969**

**UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
James Stewart; etc.; Congressman
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR.; et al. -
VICTIMS; EXTORTION
OO: Minneapolis**

Re:

**DALE CARL JEFFRIES; Reverend
RALPH ABERNATHY; et al. -
VICTIMS; EXTORTION
OO: Minneapolis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. **9-44386-56**
Lab. No. **D-690602076 AT**

Examination requested by: **Baltimore**

Reference: **Airtel 5/29/69**

Examination requested: **Document**

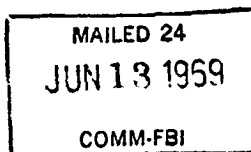
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Remarks:

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For your investigative guidance, numerous differences were found in the writings of [redacted] and [redacted] with respect to the questioned writing on the specimens submitted previously in this case. Nothing of particular significance was noted which would suggest that additional known handwriting samples prepared by [redacted] or [redacted] should be obtained.

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

2 - Baltimore (9-1658) Enclosures (4) (K9, K10, 2 Lab report)



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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)
Re: UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
James Stewart; etc.; Congressman
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR.; et al. -
VICTIMS; EXTORTION

Date:
FBI File No.
Lab. No.

June 13, 1969
9-44386
D-690602076 AT

DALE CARL JEFFRIES; Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY;
et al. - VICTIMS; EXTORTION
Specimens received 6/2/69 from Baltimore

K9 Three handwriting sample forms bearing handwriting of
[REDACTED]

K10 Four handwriting sample forms bearing handwriting of
[REDACTED]

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Result of examination:

Due to the limited nature of the writing on
K9 and K10 and an insufficient amount of comparable
writing, a definite conclusion was not reached whether
[REDACTED] K9, or [REDACTED] K10, wrote any of the questioned
writing on the specimens submitted in this case.

K9 and K10 are returned herewith. These
specimens were photographed.

[REDACTED] (6) b7c

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Gandy _____

MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐



1 -- Lab file

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Atlanta (9-1911)**

Date: **May 29, 1969**

Re: **UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries; Reverend
Ralph Abernathy - Victim;
Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. -
Victim; etc.
EXTORTION - RM
OO: Minneapolis**

Examination requested by:

Reference:

Examination requested:

Remarks:

Atlanta

**9-44386-31
Airtel 5/7/69**

Document - Fingerprint

FBI File No.
Lab. No.

**9-44386
D-690512070 AT**

John Edgar Hoover, Director

**Q27 through Q29 are being returned with the
results of the fingerprint examination.**

**Minneapolis will refer to FBI Laboratory report
dated 2/9/68, marked for the attention of Minneapolis file
157-412. This report advised that a review of Bureau file
157-8356, disclosed a letter which is similar to the letters
in the present case, Bureau file 9-44386.**

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**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Minneapolis (9-1449) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - Bureau file (157-8356)**

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**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Atlanta (9-1911)**

Date:

May 29, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Re: **UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries; Reverend
Ralph Abernathy - Victim; Adam Clayton
Powell, Jr. - Victim; etc.
EXTORTION - RM**

Lab. No.

D-690512070 AT

Specimens received **5/9/69**

- Q27 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 3A PM 2 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Rev. Ralph Abernathy c/o Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia"**
- Q28 Page one of two-page handwritten letter dated May 2, 1969, beginning "Rev. Ralph Abernathy: Well, black..." ending "...you on a scaffold."**
- Q29 Page two of two-page handwritten letter beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."**

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned handwriting on Q27 through Q29 was written by the writer of the questioned writing on other specimens submitted previously in this case. Q29 contains hand printing in addition to handwriting. The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q29 was written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

No indented writing was found on Q27 through Q29. A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a sheet of stamps was attached to Q27. Q27 through Q29 were written with a ball-point pen having blue ink.

Q27 is an envelope of Hotel Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Q28 is a sheet of stationery of Holiday Inn, Downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota. Q29 is a sheet of stationery of Cascade Motor Hotel, Duluth, Minnesota.

Q27 through Q29 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed.

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5/12/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO

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LUCIUS L. VALERA, aka
James Stewart
CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR.,
et al - VICTIMS
EXTORTION
(OO:MP)
(WFO File 9-2256) (P)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY, et al - VICTIMS
EXTORTION
(OO:MP)
(WFO File 9-2262) (P)

Enclosed for information of Baltimore are two
copies each of LHM's titled VALERA as above and dated
5/1/69 and 5/8/69 at WDC.

For additional info of Baltimore info from
Bureau teletype dated 5/6/69 to WFO and Atlanta follows:
DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM

- ③ - Bureau
 - 2 - Baltimore (Enc. 4)
 - 2 - Minneapolis
 - 2 - Atlanta
 - 2 - WFO
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WFO 9-2256

CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM; SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM; STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM. EXTORTION. OO: MINNEAPOLIS.

ReWFOteletype to theDirector 5/1/69 captioned "LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, ILL. - VICTIM; JULIAN BOND - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM; H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM. EXTORTION. OO:MINNEAPOLIS" for the information of WFO, Atlanta has advised that the office of Southern Christian Leadership Conference in receipt of obscene letter threatens lives of listed victims, postmarked Minneapolis, Minnesota, 5/2/69, with return address DALE CARL JEFFRIES, 607 Water Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Atlanta unfamiliar with name RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD.

The Minneapolis division advised that

Minneapolis indices negative re

WFO 9-2256

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

LEADS

BALTIMORE

AT CHELTENHAM, MARYLAND

Contact and interview [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as above, regarding the writing of instant threatening letters, their presence in WDC 5/10/69, and obtain handwriting samples from them and/or from Naval records. Determine if [REDACTED] in WDC - Baltimore recently, and determine current location of [REDACTED] so he may be likewise interviewed.

[REDACTED]

MINNEAPOLIS

AT [REDACTED]

Likewise, interview [REDACTED] and obtain handwriting samples.

WFO 9-2256

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Determine if any of the above recently registered
at downtown Holiday Inn or Curtis Hotel-Motor Lodge.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/30/69

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (9-1911) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;
ET AL
EXTORTION - RM
(OO:Minneapolis)

Reference Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 5/7/69.

On 6/26/69, [REDACTED] Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 334 Auburn Avenue, SE, Atlanta, advised that she has received no further letters of the nature given to the FBI previously. She further stated that neither she nor Reverend ABERNATHY were able to offer any suggestions as to possible suspects.

Atlanta conducting no further investigation.

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- (2) - Bureau
- 2 - Minneapolis (9-1449)
- 1 - Atlanta

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 6/30/69	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/1/69 - 6/30/69
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; LILLIAN ANTHONY - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; FRANK KENT - VICTIM; WALTER MONDALE - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS	

The title is marked changed to set forth names of victims in addition to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

REFERENCE

Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] dated 3/4/68. *See 26*

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Specific references are not being set out in this report since investigation is based on the receipt of numerous

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ROVED <i>b7c</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE ES MADE ⑤ - Bureau (9-44386) (1 - 9-49584) (1 - 9-49654) 1 - USA, Minneapolis 5 - Minneapolis (9-1200)						DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW																
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letters which have been identified by the FBI Laboratory as having emanated from the Unknown Subject in this case. These matters in the past have been handled primarily under Bureau file 9-44386 and additionally in Bureau file 9-49584 and 9-49654.

Minneapolis is consolidating all files in this matter into Minneapolis file 9-1200, and future correspondence to the Bureau will be directed to Bureau file 9-44386, UACB.

It is noted that investigation is currently being conducted by the Minneapolis Police Department and U.S. Secret Service in connection with letters which have been directed to Mayor NAFTALIN, Minneapolis, and former vice president HUMPHRY, some dating as far back as 1965. Minneapolis will maintain contact with the Minneapolis Police Department and U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis and continue efforts to identify Unknown Subject.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Report of: b7c [REDACTED]

Date:

June 30, 1969

Office: Minneapolis,
Minnesota

Field Office File #:

9-1200

Bureau File #: 9-44386

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
WILLIAM ANTHONY - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] VICTIM;
[REDACTED] VICTIM;

Character:

b7c [REDACTED] - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

Synopsis:

FRANK KENT - VICTIM;
WALTER MONDALE - VICTIM;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM

Character:

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

b7c Title is changed to set forth names of victims in addition to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Series of letters sent to victims 3/69 - 5/69 postmarked Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota on hotel and motel stationery bearing fictitious names and return addresses. Letters to victims and results of FBI Laboratory examination set forth. Minneapolis Police Department and U.S. Secret Service conducting investigation to identify writer of similar letters received by Mayor NAFTALIN of Minneapolis and HUBERT H. HUMPHRY during past several years. Minneapolis Police Department and U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, advised of this series of letters and furnished results of FBI Laboratory examination. Additional individuals mentioned in letters notified, as well as local authorities covering their residences. Handwriting comparison set forth. No suspects developed.

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DETAILS:

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

b7c Copies of all letters set out in this report and the results of FBI Laboratory investigation concerning these letters have been made available to [REDACTED]

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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b7c [Minneapolis Police Department and [redacted] U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota. [redacted] advised that a series of similar letters have been received by Mayor ARTHUR NAFTALIN, Minneapolis, Minnesota and other prominent individuals in the Minneapolis area which are similar in content and appearance. These letters have been received over the last several years and are prepared on hotel and motel stationery from Minneapolis and the surrounding area and bear a fictitious name and return address.

[redacted] advised that a series of similar letters has been received by HUBERT H. HUMPHRY during the past several years prepared in the same manner as it is set out in this report, using hotel and motel stationery with the envelopes bearing a fictitious name and return address.

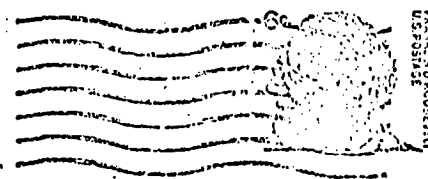
Investigation by the Minneapolis Police Department and the U.S. Secret Service to date has failed to identify the Unknown Subject in this case.

FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q16 through Q19

b7c [redacted] On May 1, 1969 [redacted] Office of Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR., Room 2244, Rayburn Building, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., made available to Special Agents of the FBI a letter received by the Congressman's office that morning as follows:



1313 NICOLLET AVENUE MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 55403



HON. MR. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL
% HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH
PERSONAL
WASHINGTON,
D.C.

LUCIUS L. VALERA
MACALASTER COLLEGE
ST. PAUL,
MINN.

DIE NIGGER K.K.K.
William Clayton Powell, April 23 1968.

Well black
Mother Fucker This is
The last straw
You will be assassinated
May 10th sometimes
in the early morning.
Julian Bond will
be put in an
armored tank and
have his balls ripped
off first then set
afire with gasoline.

Next on the list
Carmichael Cassius
Dodge Drafter Clay,
Otis Cleaver, Rap Brown,
all you Mother
fuckers will die
after having your
balls ripped out.
Your son Wm Clayton
Ravell II will be
tortured for hours.
He better not marry
that White Woman.
WE MEAN BUSINESS.

We will boil that
Black Mother Fucker
son of yours, over
a slow boiler in
the State of Mississippi.
You dead pimp
Mother Fucker Powell.
Stay away from
White Women,
you bastard.
This is the
Ku Klux Klan
ALSO WITH THE

Also Carl Stokes
of Cleveland, he
shall be hanged
by his black
clapping balls.

Nigger
beware!

K.K.K.

H.H.

NAZIS OF AMERICA

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis

Date:

May 15, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Re: LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM

Lab. No.

D-690502116 AT

CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON
POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; JULIAN BOND - VICTIM;
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY -
VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM;
H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKER - VICTIM; EXTORTION

Specimens received

5/2/69

Q16 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MN 4A AM 29 APR 1969" with
hand printed address "HON. MR. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL c/o HOUSE
REPRESENTATIVES, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, WASHINGTON, D.C."

Q17 First page of accompanying handwritten and hand printed
letter dated "April 29, 1969." beginning "William Clayton
Powell: Well, black..."

Q18 Second page, beginning "Next on the list..."

Q19 Third page, beginning "We will broil that..."

Result of examination:

b7c A search of Q16 through Q19 in the Anonymous
Letter File disclosed specimens Q1 through Qc15, which were
previously submitted. Qc14 and Qc15 were submitted by
Minneapolis on 1/31/68, under the caption "Molotov Cocktail,
Burned Front of Residence of [REDACTED] Minneapolis,
Minnesota, January 24, 1968; [REDACTED] - Victim;
Racial Matters; Extortion." The other previously submitted
questioned specimens involved other victims.

The conclusion was reached that the handwriting on
Q17 through Q19 was written by the writer of the handwriting
on Q2 through Q7, Q13, Qc14, and Qc15 (submitted previously).

Some hand printing also appears on Q17 through Q19.
Due to an insufficient amount of comparable writing, a definite
conclusion was not reached whether the hand printing on Q16
and the hand printing on Q17 through Q19 were written by
the writer of any of the other questioned writing in this
case. Similarities were found in the hand printing on Q16
through Q19 with the hand printing on Q1, Q3, and Q10 through
Q12 (submitted previously).

Q16 through Q19 are being returned separately.
These specimens were photographed.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q20 through Q23

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LADYSMITH, WIS.
54848



MR. FRANK KENT
COMMUNICATIONS OF HUMAN
RIGHTS
STATE CAPITOL,
ST. PAUL,
MINN.

R.S. SMITH
1739 VINCENT AVE. N.
MINNEAPOLIS
MINN.

TAKE MAYOR
ARTHUR NAFTALIN
WITH YOU NIGGER.

April 26, 1969.

Frank Kent:

State Capitol;

Dear Sir:

Why, I
call you sir is
a complete mystery
Nigger bastard.

We will build
a scaffold in the
Capitol Rotunda
for Niggers only.

FORM RESERVING

7. So, you are up in
Duluth, brain washing
dumb white fools?
After you hang
Mr. Ballard, also
Matthew Embanks
will hang from
the scaffold with
you. All niggers
in office will be
assassinated
Nigger ass hole.

ROOM RESERVATIONS CENTER ... BY TELEPHONE 614-333-5144 OR TELETYPE 512-013-1145

3. We Tennessee
Southerners have
you on our list.

We Knocked
Off Martin Luther
King, the nigger
Communist. You
are next pick.

You are dead.

Best Wishes
in hell Nigger.

Signed KU KLUX KLAN

NIGGERS ARE ANIMALS

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1450)

Date:

May 22, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690508074 AT

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka

R. S. Smith;

FRANK C. KENT, Commissioner

Minnesota Department of

Human Rights - VICTIM

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Specimens received 5/3/69

Q20 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PAUL, MN 3B PM 26 APR 1969," bearing hand printed address "MR. FRANK KENT COMMUNICATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS STATE CAPITOL, ST. PAUL, MINN."

Q21 Page one of accompanying three-page handwritten letter beginning "TAKE MAYOR ARTHUR..."

Q22 Second page of accompanying three-page handwritten letter beginning "2. So, you are..."

Q23 Third page of accompanying three-page handwritten letter beginning "3. We Tennessee..."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q20 and the hand printing in the upper portion of Q21 were written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case. The conclusion was reached that the handwriting on Q21 through Q23 was written by the writer of the handwriting on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

Indented writing was found on Q21. A separate report is being submitted concerning the results of the examination of this indented writing. No significant indented writing was found on Q20, Q22, and Q23. A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a coil of stamps was attached to Q20.

Q20 is an envelope bearing the return address of Evergreen Motel, Ladysmith, Wisconsin. Q21 through Q23 are sheets of stationery of the Curtis Motel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Q21 through Q23 are being returned separately.
These specimens were photo 1.

**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1450)****Date:****June 2, 1969****FBI File No.****9-44386****Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
R. S. Smith;
FRANK C. KENT, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of
Human Rights - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS****Lab. No.****D-690603074 AT****Specimens received 5/3/69****Result of examination:**

This supplements FBI Laboratory report dated 5/22/69, in this case. Referenced Laboratory report advised indented writing was found on C21.

Two photographs of this indented writing are being forwarded herewith to FBI, Minneapolis.

While the indented writing on C21 is fragmentary, this indented writing corresponds generally with the content of other letters received in this case. The name "Goldsmith" appears in the indented writing in the lower right portion of C21.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q24 through Q26

b7c [REDACTED] On May 6, 1969 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Office of Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR.,
made available to Special Agents of the FBI a letter received
at the Congressman's office on that date, which letter is as
follows:

May 4, 1969.

Adam Clayton Powell.

Well black bastard,
mother fucker, you
have one week to
live now.

Watch yourself
real closely, all
preparations to assassinate
you are very complete.
You will never
know, what hit you,
you nigger pimp
animal.

RECEIVED BY TELEPHONE 612-271-5141 or TELETYPE 612-221-1116

James Stewart
11429 N. 7th St.
Rockland,
Maine.

Received
New Orleans Chamber of Commerce
No. 8, Avenue of the Republic
Washington
D.C.



2. If you think even
and King suffered, wait
and see your final finish.
Your balls will be
ripped out of your
nigger body.
They will be shoved
down your throat
You will be burned
at the stake.
You will never fuck
another white woman.
Die you miserable
nigger pig nigger
Signature K. K. K.

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)

Date:

May 22, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Re: LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM

Lab. No.

D-690509049 AT

CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM;

D-690509050 AT

ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, III - VICTIM;

JULIAN BOND - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY -

VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM;

H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; EXTORTION

Specimens received 5/9/69 from Washington Field Office

Q24 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 3B AM 5 MAY 1969, bearing handwritten address "Hon. Adam Clayton Powell U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C."

Q25 Page one of accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated May 4, 1969, beginning "Adam Clayton Powell: Well..." ending "...animal."

Q26 Page two of accompanying two-page handwritten letter beginning "2. If you think..." signed "Signature K.K.K."

Specimens received 5/9/69 from Minneapolis

K7 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 6 FEB 27 5:30 PM 1962" bearing handwritten address [REDACTED] Mpls. Work House Parkers Lake Minn" and accompanying handwritten letter dated 2/19/62, beginning "Dear [REDACTED] Shou signed [REDACTED] and note dated 8/5/60, beginning "Dear Sir: [REDACTED] signed [REDACTED] bearing handwriting of [REDACTED]"

Kc8 Photocopy of note beginning "Dear [REDACTED] bearing handwriting of [REDACTED]"

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned handwriting on Q24 through Q26 was written by the writer of the questioned writing on other specimens submitted previously in this case.

Due to an insufficient amount of comparable handwriting, a definite conclusion was not reached whether the writers of K7 and Kc3 wrote any of the questioned writing on the specimens in this matter.

No indented writing was found on Q24 through Q26. The writing on Q24 through Q26 was prepared with a ball-point pen having black ink. A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a sheet of stamps was attached to Q24.

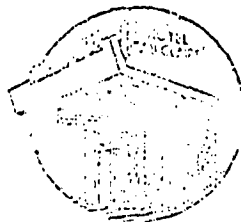
The envelope Q24 and the sheets of paper Q25 and Q26 are stationery of the Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Q24 through Q26 are being returned separately. K7 is being returned herewith to Minneapolis. Kc8 and photographs of Q24 through Q26 and K7 are retained.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q27 through Q29

b7c On May 6, 1969 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Southern Christian Leadership Conference
(SCLC) offices, 334 Auburn Avenue Southeast, Atlanta Georgia,
made available a letter received by the SCLC offices on
May 5, 1969 which letter is as follows:



Hotel Eau Claire

NORTHWEST'S FINEST HOTEL

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54701

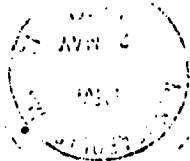
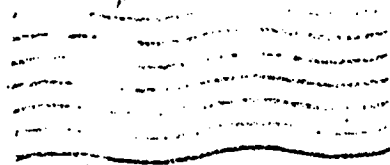
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2 MAY 1969

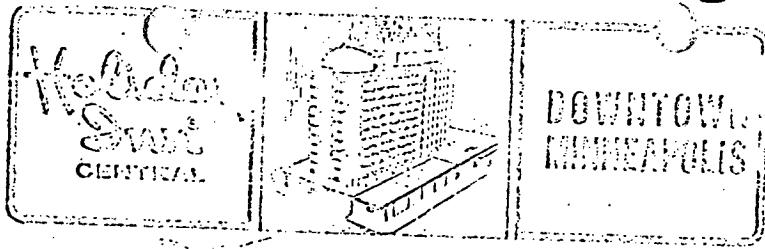
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100M ZIP 00

*Rev. Ralph Abernethy
% Southern Christian Leadership
Conference,
Atlanta,
Georgia*

Private

Dale Carl Collins
- 607 Water St.
Eau Claire, Wisc.





May 2, 1969

Rev. Ralph Abernathy

Well, black
mother-fucker, your days
are numbered! This is
the very last straw.
Mother fucker, you will
be assassinated May 12th,
in your own home,
nigger bastard.
The Ku Klux Klan has
decided your death.
Before you die, we will
rip your balls out of
their socket, then hang
you on a scaffold!

1213 NICOLLET AVENUE, MINN

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN

ROOMS - APARTMENTS

AREA CODE 218-722-5000

Cascade Motor Hotel

FIRST AVENUE WEST AND THIRD STREET

DULUTH, MINNESOTA 55806

C. WICK, MANAGER

2, While you hang, you
will be set on fire,
Stokely Carmichael, Sam
Davis Jr, Harry Belafonte,
Cassius Clay, the draft
dodging yellow nigger,
Reverend Martin Luther King,
Adam Clayton Powell,
Carl Stokes, his brother,
Charles Evers, and many
more Nigger communists
like yourself must die,
You are doomed Nigger!
The Ku Klux Klan,
will burn you all
alive. Signed
K. K. K. I. I. I.

REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Atlanta (9-1911)

Date:

May 29, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-590512070 AT

Re: UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Joffries; Reverend
Ralph Abernathy - Victim; Adam Clayton
Powell, Jr. - Victim; etc.
EXTORTION - RM

Specimens received

5/9/69

- Q27 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 3A PM 2 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Rev. Ralph Abernathy c/o Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia"
- Q28 Page one of two-page handwritten letter dated May 2, 1969, beginning "Rev. Ralph Abernathy: Well, black..." ending "...you on a scaffold."
- Q29 Page two of two-page handwritten letter beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned handwriting on Q27 through Q29 was written by the writer of the questioned writing on other specimens submitted previously in this case. Q29 contains hand printing in addition to handwriting. The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q29 was written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

No indented writing was found on Q27 through Q29. A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a sheet of stamps was attached to Q27. Q27 through Q29 were written with a ball-point pen having blue ink.

Q27 is an envelope of Hotel Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Q28 is a sheet of stationery of Holiday Inn, Downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota. Q29 is a sheet of stationery of Cascade Motor Hotel, Duluth, Minnesota.

Q27 through Q29 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q30 through Q32

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date May 15, 1969

[redacted] interviewed at the Minneapolis Office, made available an envelope and letter which he received through the mail on Monday, May 12, 1969. The envelope bore the trade name Hotel Eau Claire, Wisconsin, and was addressed to [redacted] Commission on Human Relations, 4th Ave. S. & 5th St., City Hall, Minneapolis, Minn. The envelope also bore the notations: 625 Second Avenue South, 1519 Thomas Ave. No. and 2014 W. Broadway. Lines were drawn through all of the addresses except the latter. The envelope address was printed and the name of the sender was shown on the reverse side as WILLIAM S. CARLSON, 1612 South 8th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

[redacted] also made available a two-page letter written on the stationery of the Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, the contents of which he considered obscene and threatening to his life. [redacted] stated that the only other individuals who had handled the contents of the envelope to his knowledge besides himself were his landlords [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota.

b7c
b7D [redacted] advised that he strongly felt this letter was sent to him as a result of [redacted]

[redacted] expressed some concern for his personal welfare as a result of having received this threatening letter, commenting it seemed strange that such a letter would be written at this time rather than [redacted]

The following physical description [redacted] was obtained:

Name
Sex
Race

[redacted]

On 5/13/69 at Minneapolis, Minnesota File # Minneapolis 9-1449

b7c by SA [redacted] Date dictated 5/14/69

2

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Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Age
Residence

Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Build
Complexion
Employment



[REDACTED] was cautioned concerning the proper method of handling any future letters of this type which he might receive and stated he would promptly contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



HOTEL EAU CLAIRE

"Another Friendly Guss

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN



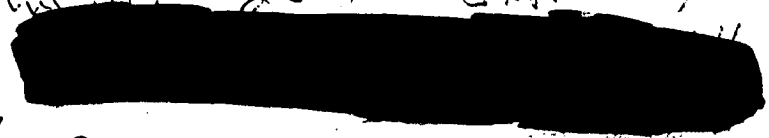
1519 1st Avenue S.W.

MINNAPOLIS

55411

625 Second Avenue South

2014 W Broadway



b7c

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

4th Ave. S. & 5th St.

111 W CITY HALL

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

William S. Carlson
1612 - South 8th St.
Mpls,
Minn.

May 6, 1969

Dear Black Pimp Mother
Fucker:

So Mr. Hansen Knocked
you out of the Election
in the Primary, for
Board of Estimate Taxation.
Where does a stupid Nigger
idiot Ex-Convict figure,
for a City Office.

When Stennis is elected
Mayor you are through
Nigger Pimp.
Your balls will be
ripped from your body.

ROOM RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE 612-333-6144 or TELETYPE 612-321-1175

2. I personally will see
you hang from a scaffold,
Black Pimp Nigger.
This will be a White
America again, as soon
as the Conservative Republicans
and Conservative Democrats,
get final legislation, against
the Nigger menace.

You are dead
Nigger Mother Fucker

Yours truly,

The Klux Klan

KKKK

The Nazis will rip out
your balls Nigger.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1435)

Date:

June 3, 1960

FBI File No.

9-44338

Lab. No.

D-690812062 AT

Re: UNKNOWN, aka

William S. Carlson

[REDACTED] - VICTIM

[REDACTED] - SOCIAL MATTERS

Specimens received 5/10/60

Q30 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MN 54 PM MAY 1960," bearing the hand printed address [REDACTED] COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS Minneapolis, Minn."

Q31 First page of accompanying handwritten letter dated 5/8/60, beginning [REDACTED] Dear Black..." ending "from your body."

Q32 Second page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "2. I personally will see..."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q30 was written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case. The conclusion was reached that the handwriting on Q31 and Q32 was written by the writer of the handwriting on other questioned specimens submitted in this case.

A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a sheet of stamps was attached to Q30. No indented writing was found on Q30 through Q32.

Q30 through Q32 were written with a ball-point pen having blue ink.

Q30 is an envelope of the Hotel Du Claire, Du Claire, Wisconsin. Q31 and Q32 are sheets of stationery of the Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Q30 through Q32 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q33 through Q49

Q33 through Q38 consists of an envelope and a letter made available by [REDACTED] Minneapolis Police Department, as being characteristic of the letters received by Mayor ARTHUR NAFTALIN during the past several years.

Q39 was made available by [REDACTED] U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota as being characteristic of the letters received by HUBERT H. HUMPHRY during the past several years.

Q40 is known handwriting of [REDACTED]

Q41 through Q44 consists of known handwriting of [REDACTED]

Q45 is known handwriting of [REDACTED]

Q46 is a letter directed to the editor, "Minneapolis Star", bearing the signature of ABRAHAM GOLDMAN (fictitious).

Q48 contained known handwriting of [REDACTED]

Q49 contained known handwriting of [REDACTED]

**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)

Date:

June 13, 1969

Re: UNSUB, aka;
Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL,
et al. - VICTIMS
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690529094 AT

Specimens received

5/29/69

- Q33 Envelope postmarked "SAINT PAUL, MINN. 1B PM 10 MAR 1969," bearing the hand printed address "MAYOR ARTHUR NAFTALIN 66 SEYMOUR AVE. S.E. MINNEAPOLIS, MINN."
- Q34 First page of accompanying handwritten letter dated 3/19/69, beginning "Arthur Naftalin. Honorable Mayor! Dear Sir: It is very..."
- Q35 Second page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "2. It was wonderful, before..."
- Q36 Third page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "3. Your former mentor..."
- Q37 Fourth page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "4. I met Jewish business..."
- Q38 Fifth page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "5. Cohen will make a good..." signed "Abe Goldman"
- Qc39 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MN 5B AM 25 MAR 1969," bearing the hand printed address "MR. HUBERT H. HUMPHREY WAVERLY, MINN." and accompanying two page handwritten letter dated 3/25/69, beginning "Hubert H. Humphrey: Dear..."
- Qc40 Photocopy of envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. OCT 18 1961" bearing handwritten address [REDACTED] 621 Newton Ave No. Minneapolis, Minn." and accompanying four-page handwritten letter dated 10/17/61, beginning "Dear [REDACTED] Enclosed..." signed "Mr. David Hentges"
- Q41 One-page typewritten letter dated 5/8/69, bearing the signature "Paul Clement"
- Q42 Two-page typewritten letter dated 5/5/69, bearing the signature "Paul Clement"
- Q43 Two-page typewritten letter dated 5/2/69, bearing the signature "Paul Clement"

- Q44 One-page typewritten letter dated 4/23/69, bearing the signature "Paul Clement"
- Q45 Postcard postmarked "TWIN CITIES, MN MAR 14 PM 1969," bearing the handwritten address "Letter Editor Mpls star 425 Portland Ave. Minneapolis Minn 55415"
- Q46 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MN: 4A PM 30 MAR 1969," bearing the handwritten address "Minneapolis Star c/o To The Editor, 425 Portland Ave. Minneapolis, Minn."
- Q47 Accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated 3/30/69, beginning "To The Editor: Dear Sir: I disagree..." signed "Abraham Goldman"
- Q48 Typewritten news-type letter entitled "A SUNDAY MORNING SERMONNETTE" bearing handwritten notations
- Q49 Front page of the Minneapolis Tribune, November 14, 1965, bearing hand printing beginning "This Whole Sheet Is A..." and envelope postmarked "Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 14, 1965"

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q33 was written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case. The conclusion was further reached that the handwriting on Q34 through Q38, Q46, and Q47 was written by the writer of the handwriting on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

Due to the indistinctness of the writing on the submitted photocopies and an insufficient amount of comparable writing, a definite conclusion was not reached whether the handwriting and hand printing on the other questioned specimens described above were written by the writer of the handwriting and hand printing on the questioned specimens submitted previously.

Indented writing was found on Q35. This indented writing corresponds to writing on Q34. Indented writing found on Q36 corresponds to writing on Q35. Indented writing on Q38 corresponds to writing on Q37. Indented writing on page two of Q47 corresponds to indented writing on Q47 (page 1). This indented writing has not been photographed. No other significant indented writing was found on the above specimens.

Q33 through Q49 are returned herewith. These specimens were photographed.

MP 9-2100

FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q50 through Q53

b7c On May 27, 1969 [REDACTED] Clerk, Minneapolis
Department of Human Rights, made available a letter
which had been received by LILLIAN ANTHONY, Director,
Minneapolis Department of Human Rights, which letter is
as follows:



—Associated Press Wirephoto

Klausman Brandenburg, Left, in 1964
... at right, Richard Hanna, self-styled Nazi



Lillian Anthony
90 Civil Rights Dept.
Court House,

Personal
Minneapolis,
1100 Bldg. Minn.



meet your country c

REGAL'S GINGHAM S
WITH BACRON®

Hop, skip or jump to get,
sure your little 'girl has the

Charles Craig Stevens
1210 5th Ave. So.
So. St. Paul,
Minn.

Mar 24, 1969

Lillian Anthony;
Nph Civil Rights Dept;
Der Nigger Bitch;

So

you wish to resign;
black pig, Who in
the hell, do you think
you are, nigger communists
Mayor Naftalin resigns
and new elect Mayor
Charles Stenwig, will
take care of all
Nigger Military bastards,
you included.

2. Some day Civil Rights
will be repealed, that
phony Communist law
passed by Warren, Fortas
and liberal reds.

All niggers will
hang from Scaffolds
We will hang Eldridge
Cleaver, Carmichael, Harry
Belafonte, Sam Davis Jr,
Rev. C. C. Ralph Abernathy,
the psycho nigger leaders
Rafael Brown and Rafael
Catfield, You Niggers
all dead after July 10th

3. After the fifteen (15)
detention camps are
ready in July, Niggers
will fall by the
thousands, by the wayside.
Listen Nigger bitch,
if you are smart, go
back to Africa.

Niggers are
through forever.

K.K.K.

KU KLUX KLAN
We will get you Niggers

**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)****Date: June 16, 1969**
FBI File No. 9-44386
Lab. No. D-690602117 AT**Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka**
Lucius L. Valera, etc.;
Charles Craig Stevens;
LILLIAN ANTHONY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS**Specimens received 6/2/69**

Q50 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 3B 1969 AM 26 MAY," bearing handwritten address "Lillian Anthony c/o Civil Rights Dept. Court House, Minneapolis, Minn."

Q51 First page of accompanying handwritten letter dated 5/26/69, beginning "Lillian Anthony; Mpls Civil Rights Dept: Dear..."

Q52 Second page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "2. Some day Civil Rights will be..."

Q53 Third page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "3. After the fifteen (15) detentions..."

ALSO SUBMITTED: Newspaper clipping bearing printing beginning "Klansman Brandenburg, Left, in 1964..."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned writing on Q50 through Q53 was written by the writer of other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

Indented writing was found on Q52. This indented writing corresponds to some of the writing on Q51 and to some of the writing on Q53. Indented writing on Q53 was found to correspond to some of the writing on Q52.

The envelope Q50 and the pieces of paper listed as Q51 through Q53 are stationery of the Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Q50 through Q53 and the item described as "ALSO SUBMITTED" are being returned separately. Q50 through Q53 were photographed.

MP 9-2100

FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q54 through Q57

By letter dated May 26, 1969 Senator WALTER F. MONDALE, Minnesota, furnished the FBI, Minneapolis, Minnesota with a letter and an envelope which had been received at his offices in Washington, D.C. which letter is as follows:

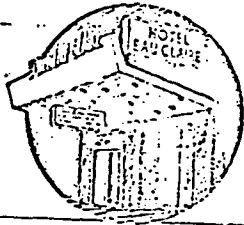
THE CURTIS HOTEL
AND MOTOR LODGE
Minneapolis, Minn. 55401



U. S. Senator *Walter Mondale*
% Senate Chambers,
Washington,
D.C.

VERY
PERSONAL

James P. McFarland
240 So. Minnetonka Ave.
Wayzata,
Minn.



DONALD J. MACRAE, GENERAL MANAGER

Hotel Eau Claire

EAU CLAIRE'S LEADING AND ONLY FIREPROOF HOTEL

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54701

May 11, 1959.

Walter Mondale
U. S. Senator,

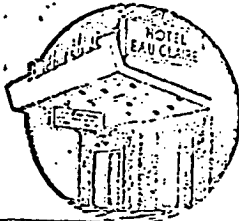
Dear Sir:

What nerve
do you possess, to ask
such a distinguished person,
as Abe Fortas, to resign from
the U. S. Supreme Court, the
highest Court, in this land.

You communist, left
wing jerk, if not for
Blabbermouth Humphrey,
where would you be, no
where, Mr. Red herring.

Why, not stop the
demonstrations and student
riots, across the country.

FOOD FAMOUS COLONIAL GRILL VISITOR HUNT ROOM COFFEE SHOP TOWN ROOM COCKTAIL-LOUNGE



DONALD J. MACRAE, GENERAL MANAGER

Hotel Eau Claire

EAU CLAIRE'S LEADING AND ONLY FIREPROOF HOTEL

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54701

2. You just a suck hole,
for all left wing bastards.
If I see you in person,
I'll tear your balls
out of you, with my
bare hands, Mr. Mondale
fink.

Do, this country a
favor, drop dead Mr.
nobody. You a nothing,
just a big zero.

President Nixon will
take care of all rioters
demonstrators, and filthy
Niggers, etc.

FOOD FAMOUS COLONIAL GRILL • HUNT ROOM COFFEE SHOP • TOWN ROOM COCKTAIL LOUNGE

Cascade Motor Hotel

FIRST AVENUE WEST AND THIRD STREET

C. WICK, MANAGER

DULUTH, MINNESOTA 55806

3. Your Democrats are all
through Mr. Ass-hole.

We beat Hegstrom, in
the Mayor Primary in
Mpls. Even Nigger loved
H. H. Humphrey couldn't help
that jerk Hegstrom.

Charles Stenwig is our
next Mayor. Good-bye
Nigger bastards. This is
it for the Nigger scoundrels.
They all are nothing but
Nigger scum, including
jerk off U. S. Senator Mondale.

Eat your heart out, and
start on your liver, fuck off.

Very truly yours,
K. K. K. H H H

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1459)

Date:

June 17, 1969

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
James P. McFarland

FBI File No.

9-44386

Senator WALTER F. MONDALE - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Lab. No.

D-690603044 AT

Specimens received 6/2/69

- Q54 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MN L MAY 12PM," bearing handwritten address "U.S. Senator Walter Mondale, c/o Senate Chambers, Washington, D.C."
- Q55 Page one of accompanying handwritten letter dated 5/11/69, beginning "Walter Mondale U.S. Senator, Dear Sir: What nerve do you..."
- Q56 Page two of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "2. You just a..."
- Q57 Page three of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "3. Your Democrats are all through..." signed "K.K.K."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that Q54 through Q57 were written by the writer of other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case which were prepared by the unknown subject.

Indented writing was found on Q56. This indented writing corresponds to some of the writing on Q55. Indented writing found on Q57 corresponds to some of the writing on Q56. This indented writing was not photographed.

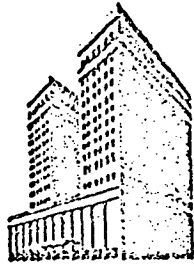
Q54 is an envelope of The Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Q55 and Q56 are sheets of stationery of the Hotel Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wisconsin and Q57 is a sheet of stationery of Cascade Motor Hotel, Duluth, Minnesota.

Q54 through Q57 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed.

MP 9-2100

FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q58 through Q60

In June 1969 a xerox copy of the following letter was made available to the FBI from the office of ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. which was apparently mailed to POWELL postmarked June 1, 1965:



D U L U T H , M I N N E S O T A
WALTER SCHROEDER, PRESIDENT

Hotel DULUTH

TELEPHONE RANDOLPH 7-4577

June 1, 1965.
Clayton William Powell:

Dear Black
Mother Fucker.

So you think, you
runny diseased
in mild niggers are
going somewhere.
The K. K. K. is
getting stronger, all
of the time.

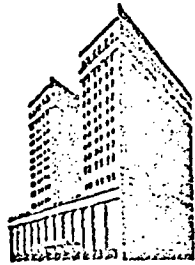
HOTEL ASTOR
MILWAUKEE, WIS.
HOTEL BELLAIR
FOND DU LAC, WIS.

HOTEL LORRAINE
MILWAUKEE, WIS.
HOTEL VINCENT
BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

HOTEL SCHROEDER
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

HOTEL NORTHLAND
GREEN BAY, WIS.
HOTEL CALUMET
FOND DU LAC, WIS.

HOTEL DULUTH
DULUTH, MINN.
HOTEL WAUSAU
WAUSAU, WIS.



Hotel DULUTH

D U L U T H , M I N N E S O T A

WALTER SCHROEDER, PRESIDENT

TELEPHONE RANDOLPH 7-4577

2. You are high on
our list, with Martin
Luther King, the
Nigger Communist.
We will rip your
balls from you, wait
and see, Black
mother-fucker.
You shall be tar
and feathered Nigger.
Be careful where
you walk sock-
snaker Nigger.
Signed J. K. K.

HOTEL ASTOR
MILWAUKEE, WIS.
HOTEL REILAN
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

HOTEL LORRAINE
MADISON, WIS.
HOTEL VINCENT
BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

HOTEL SCHROEDER
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

HOTEL NORTHLAND
GREEN BAY, WIS.
HOTEL CALUMET
POND DU LAC, WIS.

HOTEL DULUTH
DULUTH, MINN.
HOTEL WAUSAU
WAUSAU, WIS.

WE WILL GET YOU!



Clayton C. Towell
House of Representatives
Washington,
D.C.

JBI

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1449)

Date:

June 16, 1969

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690605006 AT

D-690609002 AT

Re: UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries;
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL - VICTIM
et al.
EXTORTION - RM

Specimens received 6/6/69 from Washington Field Office

- Q58 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. PM 2B 1 JUN 1965," bearing the handwritten address "Clayton Wm. Powell House of Representatives Washington, D.C."
- Q59 First page of accompanying two-page handwritten letter dated 6/1/65, beginning "Clayton William Powell: Dear..."
- Q60 Second page of accompanying two-page handwritten letter beginning "2). You are high on our list..."

Specimens received 6/4/69

Photocopies of Q58 through Q60

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that Q58 through Q60 was written by the writer of other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case which were prepared by the unknown subject.

Indented writing was found on Q60. This indented writing corresponds to writing on Q59. No special photographs of this indented writing were made.

Q58 is an envelope of The Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Q59 and Q60 are sheets of stationery of Hotel Duluth, Duluth, Minnesota.

Q58 through Q60 are being returned with copies of this report to FBI, Washington Field. These specimens were photographed. Qc58 through Qc60 are being retained.

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FBI LABORATORY REPORT
Q61 through Q64

By letter dated June 1, 1969 Senator MONDALE, Minnesota, furnished to the FBI, Minneapolis, Minnesota the following letter and envelope:

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1964



Hon. Walter Mondale
% U. S. Senate
Washington,
D.C.

Very Very
Personal

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Wm. Schreiber
403 S. 7th St.
Rochester, Minn.

May 24/92.

Hon. Walter Mondale;

U. S. Senate;

Dear Sir:

You worry about
a bunch of Nigger
bastards, who do
nothing at all, for
this great country.

As a white
man, how about
discrimination
against us, by the
filthy niggers.

v. A nigger can
get employment
quicker, then I
can, much easier
by far.

All he hollers
is discrimination.
Who can I complain
to as a White
man 58 years old?
The older white
worker, just under
60 years can not
get work.

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3. For Mondale,
Hubert H. Humphrey,
Lyndon B. Johnson,
our former degraded
President, have
ruined our great
country.

I love to see
you burn in hell
with H. H. Humphrey.
Drop dead nigger
lover. Die you
S.O.B.

FROM FEDERAL
Signed William
Schreiber

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1459)

Date:

June 16, 1969

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Wm. Schreiber;

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690009103 AT

SENATOR WALTER F. MONDALE - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Specimens received

6/9/69

- Q61 Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 3A AM 25 MAY 1969," bearing the handwritten address "Hon. Walter Mondale c/o U.S. Senate Washington, D.C."
- Q62 First page of accompanying handwritten letter dated 5/24/69, beginning "Hon. Walter Mondale: U.S. Senate; Dear Sir..."
- Q63 Second page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "2. A nigger can get employment, quicker, then I..."
- Q64 Third page of accompanying handwritten letter beginning "3. You Mondale, Hubert H. Humphrey..."

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that Q61 through Q64 were written by the writer of other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case which were prepared by the unknown subject.

Indented writing was found on Q63. This indented writing corresponds to some of the writing on Q62. Indented writing found on Q64 corresponds to some of the writing on Q63. Indented writing was also found on Q62, but this indented writing is too faint to permit determination.

Q61 through Q64 consist of stationery of The Curtis Hotel and Motor Lodge, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Q61 through Q64 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed. *116*

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In addition to the individuals identified above as victims in receipt of letters from Unknown Subject, the following individuals were noted as having been mentioned by Unknown Subject in the contents of the letters:

HARRY BELAFONTE
JULIAN BOND
H. RAP BROWN
CASSIUS CLAY
LE ROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER
STOKELY CARMICHAEL
SAMMY DAVIS, JR.
CHARLES EVERS
RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL III
CARL STOKES

With the exception of CLEAVER and CARMAICHEL, all other individuals mentioned above as well as local authorities covering their residence have been alerted to having been mentioned in the letters by Unknown Subject. Local authorities covering the residences of the victims in receipt of a letter from Unknown Subject have also been alerted to the nature and contents of the letter.

Each of the envelopes contained a return name and address which were determined to be fictitious. The names appearing as a fictitious return address are as follows:

LOUELLA ANDERSON
WILLIAM S. CARLSON
WILLIAM FULLER
ABRAHAM GOLDMAN
ALICE P. GUSTAFSON
D. HEAD
DALE CARL JEFFERIES
JAMES P. MC FARLAND
J. SCHLEIFER
R.S. SMITH
WILLIAM SCHREIBER
ALICE L. SCRENSON
CHARLES CRAIG STEVENS
JAMES STEWART
LUCIUS L. VALERA

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FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION
Q16 through Q64 Where Pertinent)

Examination by the Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division, FBI, noted latent fingerprints on the following items:

Q20	Two prints
Q22	Two prints
Q23	Two prints
Q27	One print
Q61	Three prints
Q62	One print

HANDWRITING EXAMINATION

As set out previously in this report, comparative analysis has been made of available handwriting of the following individuals with that of Unknown Subject:

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[REDACTED] FBI Number [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FBI Number [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)

DATE: 7/9/69

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (9-1200)

690714003

SUBJECT:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
ET AL
EXTORTION - RM

Re report of SA [REDACTED] dated 6/30/69 and
Minneapolis letter to Bureau dated 7/9/69 captioned, UNKNOWN
SUBJECT; [REDACTED] - VICTIM, CIVIL RIGHTS, BUFILE
44-20013. NR

Enclosed for the Bureau are four letters from
[REDACTED] which are dated July, 1962, August, 1962,
August, 1963 and September, 1965.

It is requested that these letters, as well as
the letter directed by [REDACTED] to the Bureau dated
6/23/69 in Bureau file 44-20013, be compared with the
writing of the unknown subject in this case.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 4)
- 2 - Minneapolis

ENCLOSURE

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Minneapolis (9-1200)**

Date: **July 22, 1969**

Re: **Unknown Subject;
Reverend Ralph Abernathy -
Victim; et al.
Extortion - RM**

OO: **Minneapolis**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Lab. No.

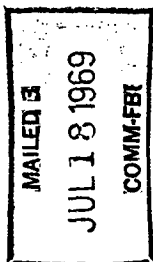
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D-690714003 AT

Examination requested by: **Minneapolis**

Reference: **Letter 7/9/69**

Examination requested: **Document**

Remarks:



Enclosures (3) (K16, 2 Lab report)
2 - Minneapolis (9-1449) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - Bureau file (44-20013)

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

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**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Minneapolis (9-1200)**

Date:

July 22, 1969

Re: **Unknown Subject;
Reverend Ralph Abernathy -
Victim; et al.
Extortion - RM**

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690714003 AT

Specimens received **7/11/69**

b7c **K16 Two envelopes and four handwritten letters written by**

Result of examination:

b7c The conclusion was reached that the questioned handwriting on the specimens submitted previously which are attributed to the unknown subject of this case was not written by the writer of K16 or by the writer of the letter from [redacted] to the Bureau dated 6/23/69, which is contained in another case.

K16 is returned herewith. This specimen was photographed.

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (9-1200) (P)

DATE: 8/26/69

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
ET AL
EXTORTION - RM

690828038

Re Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] dated 6/30/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two letters and an envelope prepared by [REDACTED] (Bufile 100-422071). It is noted that [REDACTED] has been affiliated with many extreme right-wing groups.

It is requested that the letters by [REDACTED] be compared with letters prepared by UNSUB in this case.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 3)(Info)(RM)
 - 2 - (9-44386)
 - 1 - (100-422071) [REDACTED]
 - 2 - Minneapolis
 - 1 - (9-1200)
 - 1 - [REDACTED]
- (5)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1200)

Date: September 10, 1969

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM; et al.
EXTORTION - RM

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FBI File No. 9-44386 -73
Lab. No. D-690829038 AT

Examination requested by: Minneapolis

Reference: Letter 8/26/69

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

The majority of the questioned writing attributed to the unknown subject in this matter consists of handwriting. Very little hand printing appears in the questioned writing. The majority of the writing on K17 and the writing of [redacted] in Bureau file 100-422071 (referred to in Minneapolis letter of 8/26/69) consists of hand printing. While resemblances in some hand printed letters were found in the purported writing of [redacted] and the questioned writing, certain differences were found which indicate that the questioned writing may not have been written by [redacted]. This can best be resolved by the submission of additional known handwriting and hand printing samples prepared by [redacted] which are comparable with the questioned writing. Any additional samples of writing should contain a majority of handwritten specimens.

Enclosures (3) (K17, 2 Lab report)

1 - Minneapolis [redacted] Enclosure (Lab report)

1 - Bureau file (100-422071)

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Minneapolis (9-1200)

Date: September 10, 1969

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM; et al.
EXTORTION - RM

FBI File No.

9-44386

Lab. No.

D-690329038 AT

Specimens received 8/28/69

K17 Letter bearing stamp date 11/25/69, beginning "FROM THE
DESK OF THE...", envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS, MINN...",
and second letter dated 11/25/62 bearing hand printing,
handwriting and signature of [REDACTED]

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Result of examination:

Based on the writing available for examination,
a definite conclusion was not reached whether the writer
of K17 prepared any of the questioned handwriting and
hand printing attributed to the unknown subject in this
case.

K17 is returned herewith. This item was
photographed.

[REDACTED] (6)
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Olson _____
Loach _____
Mohr _____
Soyars _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)

DATE: 1/12/70

FROM SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (9-1200)

SUBJECT ^{b7c} UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
ET AL
EXTORTION - RM

Re Bureau 0-1 dated 12/17/69.

As this file indicates, this matter has been under investigation by the Minneapolis Office, U. S. Secret Service, U. S. Postal Inspectors, and the Intelligence Division of the Minneapolis Police Department for several years. There have been no letters of consequence in several months.

The person responsible for writing the letters has been very careful to conceal his identity, and the only things of any consequence that have been learned by review of the letters is that the writer is from Tennessee and he is 58 years old.

The handwriting of all logical suspects has been submitted to the Laboratory without effecting an identification.

In the time since the last report was submitted by the Minneapolis Office, an exhaustive review has been made from the files of the U. S. Secret Service, postal inspectors, and the Minneapolis police intelligence division using the handwriting guidelines prepared by the Laboratory and forwarded to the Minneapolis Division. ^{b7c}

The files of the Minneapolis Office have also been reviewed in the areas of threatening letters, racial matters, etc., and this review has not been completed.

Since the subject has written no letters for several months, the review of the files in the Minneapolis Office will be completed, and if the results are not positive, the matter will be closed administratively until further communications are received UACB.

② - Bureau
2 - Minneapolis
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Sullivan *SW*

DATE: January 21, 1971

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER
EXTORTION

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - [REDACTED]

Tolson _____
Sullivan _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Callahan _____
Casper _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Tavel _____
Walters _____
Soyars _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

To advise that subject, who was arrested by Agents in San Antonio, January 15, 1971, in connection with a threatening letter he wrote to U. S. Congressman Donald M. Fraser dated January 1, 1971, has now been identified as the writer of a long series of threatening racial type letters dating back to 1965. Victims who have been threatened by Chesler include former President Lyndon B. Johnson, former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, numerous U. S. Senators and U. S. Congressmen, a Federal Judge, Mayors, a professional baseball player, and many others.

During 1965 a Negro female in Minneapolis, Minnesota, received a threatening communication that was signed "KKK". This letter began a series of threatening communications, anti-Negro in nature, that has resulted in 188 unknown handwritten specimens being submitted to the FBI Laboratory. Investigation in this case was complicated by the fact that the threatening letters were mailed from numerous locations ranging from Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Florida, to Texas. Laboratory examination of the submitted materials identified the varying submissions as originating from a common source and during March, 1970, detected indented writing on one submission that contained several letters from the subject's last name. Laboratory work also developed a watermark on one of the threatening letters that was attributed to a New York manufacturer. The paper was traced by Bureau investigation through Chicago to Minneapolis and ultimately to a roofing and siding firm in Minneapolis. Beginning

Enc: [REDACTED]

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Rosen to Sullivan Memorandum
RE: MORRIS CHESLER

January 1, 1971, a series of threatening letters from the then unknown subject were received by U. S. Congressman Donald M. Fraser and were referred to the Bureau. These letters bore postmark from San Antonio, Texas. Through interviews at the roofing and siding company in Minneapolis, it was determined that a former salesman named Morris Chesler had recently written that company from San Antonio, Texas.

b7c [REDACTED] Chesler was located in San Antonio, Texas on 1/15/71, and was arrested pursuant to authorization of an Assistant United States Attorney there in connection with the threatening letter written to Congressman Fraser dated 1/1/71.

Handwriting specimens attributed to Chesler were submitted to the FBI Laboratory and have been identified as having been prepared by the same person who prepared many of the unknown handwriting samples in this case. To date Federal prosecution has been authorized and prosecution is pending at San Antonio and Minneapolis. Presentations to appropriate United States Attorneys will be made in various jurisdictions where the threatening communications were mailed.

ACTION: Attached for approval is letter to Attorney General advising him of the outstanding results achieved by our Laboratory and investigative personnel.

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FBI

Date: 2/11/71

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via _____

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AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-1911) *et puc*

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER, aka;
U. S. Congressman DONALD M. FRASER -
VICTIM;
Senator J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT -
VICTIM;
ET AL
EXTORTION
(OO: San Antonio)

Re Minneapolis letter to the Bureau, 2/4/71.

Referenced letter suggests that victims in this case be advised that subject has been identified and arrested by the FBI. *b7c*

On 5/6/69, secretary to RALPH D. ABERNATHY, President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Atlanta, advised of receipt on 5/5/69 of a letter threatening the life of ABERNATHY. This information was furnished to the Atlanta PD on 5/6/69.

Established Bureau policy for several years, as followed by Atlanta, has been that ABERNATHY is not advised directly by Atlanta of threats. Such information is furnished appropriate personnel of the Atlanta PD, who forward it to ABERNATHY.

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②-Bureau
1-San Antonio
2-Minneapolis (9-1200)
2-Atlanta
1 - (9-1911)
1 - (100-6670D)

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Approved: _____

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Sent _____

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Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

AT 9-1911

In instant case, ABERNATHY was initially cognizant of the threatening letter and the Atlanta PD was advised.

In view of established policy and the fact no useful purpose would be served, Atlanta does not consider it prudent to advise ABERNATHY of the identification and arrest of the subject.

UACB no action by Atlanta.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)

DATE: 2/4/71

FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (9-1200) (P)

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER, aka;
U. S. Congressman DONALD M. FRASER -
VICTIM;
Senator J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT -
VICTIM; ET AL
EXTORTION

OO: San Antonio

b7c For information of the receiving offices, MORRIS CHESLER, date of birth [REDACTED] Minneapolis, Minnesota, a white male, has been identified as the individual responsible for sending the vicious and obscene threatening letters in this case. It is noted that hotel and motel stationery was generally used, a fictitious return address was listed and the letters were usually signed Ku Klux Klan or K.K.K.

CHESLER was arrested by Bureau Agents in San Antonio, Texas on January 15, 1971, charged with violation of the Extortion Statute and has been ordered to Springfield, Missouri for a psychiatric examination.

A recap of the victims in this case is set out by office with congressmen and senators being designated for the attention of WFO.

It is suggested that the victims in this case be contacted and advised that the subject has been identified and arrested by the FBI.

- ② - Bureau
- 2 - Atlanta (9-1911)
- 2 - Boston
- 2 - Indianapolis (9-228)
- 2 - Little Rock
- 2 - Miami (9-2201)
- 2 - New York (9-5554)
- 1 - San Antonio
- 2 - WFO (9-2551)
- 2 - Minneapolis

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<u>Victim</u>	<u>Q-Designation</u>	<u>Post Mark</u>	<u>Fictitious Return Name</u>
<u>ATLANTA</u>			
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY	27-29	May 2, 1969 Minneapolis, Minnesota	DALE CARL JEFFERIE
<u>BOSTON</u>			
Senator EDWARD KENNEDY (See WFO Lead)			
<u>INDIANAPOLIS</u>			
Mayor RICHARD HATCHER	74-75	January 19, 1970 Miami, Florida	Reverend H. BYRON SEARS
Senator BURCH BAYH (See WFO Lead)			
<u>MIAMI</u>			
Federal Judge C. CLYDE ATKINS	68	January 15, 1970 Miami, Florida	JOSEPH C. WARD
	72	January 19, 1970 Miami, Florida	Reverend CHARLE R. HORNER
67c [REDACTED]	105-106	February 14, 1970 Miami, Florida	Captain THOMAS STEWART
[REDACTED]	107-110	February 10, 1970 Miami, Florida	Rabbi HERMAN BROWNSTEIN
	111-115	February 12, 1970 Miami, Florida	WILLIAM CRAMER
	116-120	February 16, 1970 Miami, Florida	HERBERT LEVY

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<u>-Victim</u>	<u>Q-Designation</u>	<u>Post Mark</u>	<u>Fictitious Return Name</u>
<u>MIAMI (CONT.)</u>			
[REDACTED]	90	January 22, 1970 Miami, Florida	Doctor JOSEPH LEIB
[REDACTED]	102-104	February 5, 1970 Miami, Florida	Doctor GEORGE ZUCKERMAN
[REDACTED]	65-67	January 8, 1970 Miami, Florida	WILHELM HARTMAN

(See WFO lead re FASCELL and PEPPER)

NEW YORK

ADAM CLAYTON POWELL	16-19	April 29, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	LUCIUS L. VALER
	24-26	May 5, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	JAMES L. STEWAR
	58-60	June 1, 1965 Minneapolis, Minn.	KKK
	145	May 17, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	GEORGE ARTHUR BLUMENTHAL

LITTLE ROCK

Senator J. WILLIAM
FULBRIGHT (See WFO Lead)

WFO

Senator BURCH BAYH	83-86	January 23, 1970 Miami, Florida	Doctor THOMAS EDWIN DOELS
<i>Previously named</i> Congressman DONALD FRASER	87	January 24, 1970 Miami Beach, Florida	JACOB PERLIAN

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Victim

Q-Designation

Post Mark

Fictitious
Return Name

WFO (CONT.)

Previously advised

Congressman
DONALD FRASER

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August 20, 1970
Minneapolis, Minn.

LEVINSON

177-180

January 1, 1971
San Antonio, Texas

Reverend
DALE KEITH

185-188

January 6, 1971
San Antonio, Texas

WILLIAM
ROSENEAU

Congressman
DANTE PASCELL

76

January 19, 1970
Miami, Florida

Reverend
CHARLES
CAMPELL

80

January 19, 1970
Miami, Florida

Reverend
CHARLES
HANSFIELD

94

February 7, 1970
Miami, Florida

Doctor DAVID
ZUKERMAN

Senator WILLIAM
FULBRIGHT

172-174

July 3, 1970
Minneapolis, Minn.

ABE ROSENBAUM

181-184

December 28, 1970
San Antonio, Texas

ABRAHAM KELIAN

Senator HUBERT
H. HUMPHREY

125-130

February 21, 1970
Miami, Florida

Rabbi ABE
MEHLMAN

(Secret Service has also been investigating
a series of letters received by HUMPHREY
from the same subject)

Senator EDWARD KENNEDY

121-124

February 17, 1970
Miami, Florida

MARGARET O'BRIEN

FRANK KENT
(U.S. Commission On
Civil Rights)

20-23

April 26, 1969
St. Paul, Minn.

R. S. SMITH

MP 9-1200

<u>Victim</u>	<u>Q-Designation</u>	<u>Post Mark</u>	<u>Fictitious Return Name</u>
<u>WFO (CONT.)</u>			
Senator WALTER F. MONDALE	54-57	May 12, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	JAMES P. MC FARLAN
	61-64	May 25, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	WILLIAM SCHREIBER
	150-152	July 19, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	KU KLUX KLAN
	153-158	July 27, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	Rabbi MOSES GREENBLATT
	159-161	July 23, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	KU KLUX KLAN
	162-167	July 29, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	Rabbi DAVID FRYE
b7c Congressman CLAUDE PEPPER	97	February 8, 1970 Miami, Florida	Reverend CHARLES BUCK

<u>MINNEAPOLIS</u>			
LILLIAN ANTHONY	50-53	May 23, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	CHARLES CRAIG STEVENS
ROD CAREW	131-132	May 13, 1970 Cleveland, Ohio	STRANGLER ABE
	133	May 1, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	ALLEN CRESSWELL
	136	May 14, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	AKBAR ONESS
	138	May 20, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	Colonel JAMES OVERTON

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<u>Victim</u>	<u>Q-Designation</u>	<u>Post Mark</u>	<u>Fictitious Return Name</u>
<u>MINNEAPOLIS (CONT.)</u>			
ROD CAREW [REDACTED]	140	May 4, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	JOSEPH GOLDSTEIN
[REDACTED]	142	May 12, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	ALBERT SCHWEITZER
[REDACTED]	148	May 23, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	BEATRICE LARSON
[REDACTED]	30-32	May, 1969 Minneapolis, Minn.	WILLIAM S. CARLSON
[REDACTED]	9-11	January 17, 1968 Minneapolis, Minn.	ALICIA P. GUSTAFSON
[REDACTED]	12-13	January 28, 1968 Minneapolis, Minn.	K.K.K.
[REDACTED]	1-2	October 30, 1965 Minneapolis, Minn.	D. HEAD
[REDACTED]	3-4	December 6, 1965 Minneapolis, Minn.	K.K.K.
[REDACTED]	5-8	December 13, 1965 Minneapolis, Minn.	K.K.K.
[REDACTED]	14-15	January 26, 1968 Minneapolis, Minn.	ALICE L. SORENSON
[REDACTED]	168-171	July 27, 1970 Minneapolis, Minn.	
ARTHUR NAFTALIN (MP PD had under investigation a series of letters received by NAFTALIN from the subject while NAFTALIN was mayor of Minneapolis)	33-37	March 10, 1969 St. Paul, Minn.	ABE GOLDMAN

See WFO lead re FRASIER, HUMPHREY, MONDALE and KENT.)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN ANTONIO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SAN ANTONIO	DATE 3/18/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/16/71
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED MORRIS CHESLER, aka Strangler Abe, George Arthur Blumenthal, Rabbi Herman Brownstein, Reverend Charles Buck, Reverend Charles Campbell, William S. Carlson, Abraham Cohen, Rip Collins, William Cramer, Allen Cresswell, Doctor Thomas Edwin Dobbs (CONT'D ON COVER PAGE B)		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	b7c 1, B, C

REFERENCES: **b7c** San Antonio report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/28/71;
 Bureau letter to San Antonio, dated 1/26/71;
 Bureau letter to San Antonio, dated 1/29/71;
 Bureau letter to San Antonio, dated 2/ 5/71;
 Bureau letter to San Antonio, dated 2/25/71;
 Minneapolis letter to the Bureau, dated 2/4/71.

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CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO		
								PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO
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How Fwd.	[REDACTED]					[REDACTED]		
By	[REDACTED]					[REDACTED]		

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TITLE CONT'D

Rabbi David Frye,
Abe Goldman,
Joseph Goldstein,
Isaac F. Greenberg,
Rabbi Moses Greenblatt,
Alicia P. Gustafson,
Wilhelm Hartman,
D. Head,
Charles R. Horner,
Dale Carl Jefferies,
Reverend Dale Keith,
Professor Abraham Kelman,
Beatrice Larson,
Doctor Joseph Leib,
Levinson,
Herbert Levy,
Reverend Charles Mansfield,
James P. McFarland,
Rabbi Abe Mehlman,
Margaret O'Brien,
Akbar Oness,
Colonel James Overton,
Jacob Perlman,
William Rosenbau,
Abe Rosenbaum,
Professor William Rosenbaum,
William Schreiber,
Albert Schweitzer,
Byron Sears,
R. S. Smith,
Alice L. Sorenson,
Charles Craig Stevens,
James L. Stewart,
Captain Thomas Stewart,
Lucius L. Valera,
Joseph C. Ward,
Doctor George Zuckerman,
Doctor David Zuckerman,
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY,
LILLIAN ANTHONY,

SA 9-1518

TITLE CONT'D

Federal Judge C. CLYDE ATKINS,
Senator BURCH BAYH,

ROD CAREW

- DANTE FASCELL,
- Congressman DONALD FRASER,
- Senator J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT,

Mayor RICHARD HATCHER,

- Senator HUBERT H. HUMPHREY,
- Senator EDWARD KENNEDY,
FRANK KENT,

- Senator WALTER F. MONDALE,
ARTHUR NAFTALIN,
- Congressman CLAUDE PEPPER,
ADAM CLAYTON POWELL,

VICTIMS

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 - (1 - 105-103802)
- 2 - San Antonio (9-1518)

SA 9-1518

Title is marked changed to reflect alphabetical listing of known aliases and known victims as furnished by previous Office of Origin. Title was previously carried as:

CHANGED

MORRIS CHESLER, aka
Rip Collins, ET AL
U. S. Congressman
DONALD M. FRASER - VICTIM
U. S. Senator
J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT - VICTIM
EXTORTION

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Information copies are being furnished offices which are known to have investigated letters similar to those written by subject to victims FRASER and FULBRIGHT for which he is currently being prosecuted. Three copies being furnished to the Bureau in the event they wish to disseminate to Secret Service.

LEADS

SAN ANTONIO

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Will follow and report prosecution.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - USA, San Antonio
1 - USA, Minneapolis

Report of:

Date:

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3/18/71

Office:

San Antonio, Texas

Field Office File #:

9-1518

Bureau File #:

9-44386

Title:

MORRIS CHESLER;
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY,
LILLIAN ANTHONY,
Federal Judge C. CLYDE ATKINS,
Senator BURCH BAYH,

Character:

ROD CAREW

Synopsis:

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Congressman DONALD FRASER,
Senator J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT,
Mayor RICHARD HATCHER,
Senator HUBERT H. HUMPHREY,
Senator EDWARD KENNEDY,
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VICTIMS

Character:

EXTORTION

Synopsis:

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SA 9-1518

ENCLOSURE

TO USA, MINNEAPOLIS

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and was advised by subject's attorney that subject would
employ his own psychiatrist who would conduct an exami-
nation as to subject's mental competency.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, San Antonio
1 - USA, Minneapolis

Report of:

Date:

[REDACTED] b7c
3/18/71

Office:

San Antonio, Texas

Field Office File #:

9-1518

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Senator BURCH BAYH,

Character:

[REDACTED]
ROD CAREW
[REDACTED]

Synopsis:

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Senator J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT,
[REDACTED]
Mayor RICHARD HATCHER,
[REDACTED]
Senator HUBERT H. HUMPHREY,
Senator EDWARD KENNEDY,
FRANK KENT
[REDACTED]

Senator WALTER F. MONDALE,
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Congressman CLAUDE PEPPER,
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VICTIMS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (9-44386)

FROM : *Jim* SAC, SAN ANTONIO (9-1518) (P)

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER, aka;
Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY;
ET AL - VICTIMS
EXTORTION

DATE: 6/8/71

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio report of SA [REDACTED]
dated 3/18/71.

On 6/7/71, Assistant United States Attorney HENRY J. NOVAK, JR., San Antonio, Texas, advised that subject, CHESLER has been removed to Minneapolis and will be tried there on similar charges.

Assistant United States Attorney NOVAK anticipates that process in Texas will be dismissed upon conclusion of trial at Minneapolis.

In this regard, as no further work remains in San Antonio Division, the Bureau is requested to designate Minneapolis as Office of Origin.

- ⑤ Bureau
(1 - Minneapolis)
(1 - Indianapolis)
(1 - San Antonio)
2 - Minneapolis (9-1200)
2 - Indianapolis 9-228)
2 - San Antonio

Bureau designates *mp.*
as office of origin. Copies
transmitted to offices indicated.
Former office of origin furnish
all pertinent records to new
office of origin.

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16 JUN 14 1971

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Sp. mp. 1/9
15718
6-15-71*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 7/21/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 6/16/71-7/14/71
TITLE OF CASE MORRIS CHESLER, aka; Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY; ET AL - VICTIMS		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	

REFERENCE

Minneapolis airtel to Director dated 6/16/71.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Conviction in this matter claimed by Minneapolis airtel dated 6/16/71.

Three copies have been furnished to the Bureau in the event they wish to disseminate to Secret Service. Copies furnished San Antonio in view of process pending in that area.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED ☒ NONE						ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:	
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO	PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO
APPROVED [REDACTED] b7c						DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW		
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Agency	100 / Report to San Antonio					[REDACTED] b7c ECT.		
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Date Fwd.								
How Fwd.	b7c							
By	60 JUL 23 1971							

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LEAD

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Will follow and report prosecutive action.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - USA, Minneapolis, Minnesota
1 - USA, San Antonio, Texas

Report of:

Date:

[REDACTED] b7c
July 21, 1971

Office:

Minneapolis

Field Office File #:

9-1200

Bureau File #:

9-44386

Title:

MORRIS CHESLER;
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY;
ET AL - VICTIMS

Character:

EXTORTION

Synopsis:

CHESLER appeared USDC, Minneapolis, Minn., 6/15/71 and entered plea of guilty to complaint filed Minneapolis 1/18/71 charging violation USC, Title 18, Section 875(c). CHESLER referred for presentence investigation and released on \$2,500 cash bond. As of 7/14/71 CHESLER has not been sentenced.

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Details:

On June 16, 1971, Assistant United States Attorney J. EARL CUDD, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised as follows;

CHESLER appeared in United States District Court, Minneapolis, Minnesota, June 15, 1971, and entered plea of guilty to complaint filed Minneapolis January 18, 1971, charging violation United States Code, Title 18, Section 875 (c), in that on or about July 3, 1970, he knowingly transmitted in interstate commerce from Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Little Rock, Arkansas, a letter addressed to the Honorable J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT containing a threat to injure the person of J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT.

Mr. CUDD advised CHESLER was referred for a presentence investigation and is free on \$2,500 cash bond.

MP 9-120

On July 14, 1971, Mr. CUDD advised that CHESLER has not yet been sentenced.

MP 9-1200

LEADS:

SAN ANTONIO

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Will contact the U. S. Attorney and determine what action he is taking concerning process outstanding re subject.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Minneapolis, Minnesota
1 - USA, San Antonio, Texas

Report of: [REDACTED] b7c
Date: 9-30-71

Office: Minneapolis, Minnesota

Field Office File #: MP 9-1200

Bureau File #: 9-44386

Title: MORRIS CHESLER;
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY;
ET AL - VICTIMS

Character: EXTORTION

Synopsis: Imposition of sentence suspended on 7-29-71 and
CHESLER placed on two years' probation.

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DETAILS:

AUSA J. EARL CUDD, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised that imposition of sentence on MORRIS CHESLER was suspended on 7-29-71, by Judge MILES W. LORD and CHESLER was placed on two years' probation.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN ANTONIO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MINNEAPOLIS	DATE 12/20/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/15/71
TITLE OF CASE MORRIS CHESLER, aka.; Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY; ET AL - VICTIMS		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION	

REFERENCE: Minneapolis report of SA [REDACTED] 7/21/71;
San Antonio letter to Minneapolis, 10/13/71;
Minneapolis letter to San Antonio, 11/30/71.

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ENCLOSURE

TO BUREAU

One copy of Disposition Sheet.

 DISPOSITION SHEET DETACHED
AND HANDLED SEPARATELY.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						☒ NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
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By	[REDACTED]						b7c	

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - USA, San Antonio, Texas
1 - USA, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Report of:

Date:

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December 20, 1971

Office: San Antonio, Texas

Field Office File #:

9-1518

Bureau File #:

9-44386

Title:

MORRIS CHESLER;
REV. RALPH ABERNATHY;
ET AL - VICTIMS

Character:

EXTORTION

Synopsis:

On 12/15/71, RUTH JONES, Secretary, U. S. Attorney's Office, WDT, San Antonio, Texas, advised complaint dismissed on CHESLER 4/14/71.

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DETAILS:

On December 15, 1971, RUTH JONES, Secretary. U. S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Texas, San Antonio, Texas, advised that the complaint filed against MORRIS CHESLER at San Antonio had been dismissed on April 14, 1971. JONES advised, therefore, no prosecution is outstanding on MORRIS CHESLER in this district.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : *Jan* F.W. WALKART

DATE: 2-2-72

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Miller, E.S.	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Dalbey	_____
Mr. Cleveland	_____
Mr. Ponder	_____
Mr. Bates	_____
Mr. Waikart	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
Mr. Soyars	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

FROM : I. W. Conrad *b7c*

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER, AKA
RIP COLLINS, ET AL;
U.S. CONGRESSMAN DONALD J. SULLIVAN
U.S. SENATOR J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT-
VICTIMS EXT.

9-44386

There is enclosed the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above-captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure to the main file in the Records Branch.

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FBI File #: 9-44386

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1-2	Washington Field Office	(9-New)	[REDACTED]
3-4	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1200)	
5-8	Minneapolis	(9-1200)	
9-11	Minneapolis	(157-412)	
12-13	Minneapolis	(157-412)	
14-15	Minneapolis	(157-414)	[REDACTED]
16-17	Washington Field Office	(9-New)	
20-23	Minneapolis	(9-1450)	
24-26	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1449)	
27-29	FBI, Atlanta	(9-1911)	
30-32	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1455)	[REDACTED]
33-38	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1449)	"MAYOR ARTHUR NATALIN"
c39	"	"	[REDACTED]
c40	"	"	
41-49	"	"	"MR. HUBERT H. HUMPHREY"
50-53	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1449)	"Lillian Anthony"
54-57	Minneapolis	(9-1449)	"U.S. Senator Walter Mondale"
58-60	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1449)	"Clayton Wm. Powell"
61-64	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1449)	[REDACTED]
65-67	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	
68-71	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	"Federal Judge C. Clyde Atkins"
72-73	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	"Federal Court Judge, C. Clyde Atkins"
74-75	FBI, Indianapolis	(9-New)	"Mayor Richard H. Richer"
76-79	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	"Honorable Congressman Dante Fascell"
80-82	"	"	"
83-86	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	[REDACTED]
87-89	Washington Field Office	(9-New)	

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93-93	FBI, Miami	(9-2201)	[REDACTED]
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97-101	FBI, Washington Field Office	(9-New)	"U.S. CONGRESSMAN CLAUDE PEPPER"
102-104	FBI, Miami	(9-New)	[REDACTED]
105-106	"	"	[REDACTED]
107-110	"	"	[REDACTED]
111-115	"	"	[REDACTED]
116-120	"	"	[REDACTED]
121-124	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1200)	"U.S. SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY"
125-130	"	"	"Mr. Hubert H. Humphrey"
131-132	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1532)	"ROD CAREW"
133-135	"	"	[REDACTED]
136-137	"	"	"ROD CAREW"
138-139	"	"	"Mr. Rod Carew"
140-141	"	"	"Rod Carew"
142-144	"	"	"ROD CAREW"
145-147	"	"	"Congressman Adam Clayton Powell"
148-149	"	"	"Rod Carew"
150-152	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1200)	"Honorable Walter F. Mondale"
153-158	"	"	"WALTER F. MONDALE"
159-161	"	"	"Honorable Walter F. Mondale"
162-167	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1200)	"WALTER F. MONDALE"
168-171	"	"	[REDACTED]
172-174	FBI, Washington Field Office	(9-New)	"Honorable U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright"
175-176	FBI, Minneapolis	(9-1200)	"CONGRESSMAN DONALD M. FRASER"
177-180	SAC, Minneapolis	Bureau Airtel	"CONGRESSMAN DONALD M. FRASER"
181-184	SAC, WFO	(9-New)	"HONORABLE SENATOR J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT"

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5/12/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM; SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM; STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM; EXTORTION - RM**
Examination requested by: **ATLANTA (9-1911) A. 5/7/69** **OO: Minneapolis**

File # **9-44386**
Lab. # **D-690512070 AT**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Date received: **5/9/69**

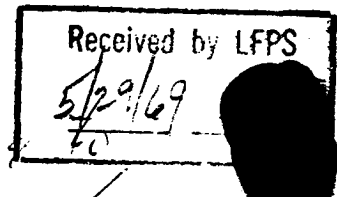
Result of Examination:

Examination by:

LFPS will

return 627 - 627

Atlanta



Specimens submitted for examination

Q27 **KX** Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 3A PM 2 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Rev. Ralph Abernathy c/o Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia"

Q28 Page one of two-page handwritten letter dated May 2, 1969, beginning "Rev. Ralph Abernathy: Well, black..." ending "...you on a scaffold."

Q29 Page two of ~~XXXXXX~~ two-page handwritten letter ~~XXXX~~ beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."

Specs. examined & ret'd to Atlanta by LFPS 6/9/69

2 - Minneapolis

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1 - Lab file

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Atlanta (9-1911)**

Date: **May 29, 1969**

Re: **UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries; Reverend
Ralph Abernathy - Victim;
Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. -
Victim; etc.**

EXTORTION - RM

OO: Minneapolis

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**

Reference: **Airtel 5/7/69**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

**Q27 through Q29 are being returned with the
results of the fingerprint examination.**

**Minneapolis will refer to FBI Laboratory report
dated 2/9/68, marked for the attention of Minneapolis file
157-412. This report advised that a review of Bureau file
157-8356, disclosed a letter which is similar to the letters
in the present case, Bureau file 9-44386.**

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Minneapolis (9-1449) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - Bureau file (157-8356)**

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**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535****To: FBI, Atlanta (9-1911)****Date: May 29, 1969****FBI File No.****9-44386****Re: UNSUB, aka Lucius L. Valera,
Dale Carl Jeffries; Reverend
Ralph Abernathy - Victim; Adam Clayton
Powell, Jr. - Victim; etc.
EXTORTION - RM****Lab. No.****D-690512070 AT****Specimens received 5/9/69**

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- Q29 Page two of two-page handwritten letter beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."**

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned handwriting on Q27 through Q29 was written by the writer of the questioned writing on other specimens submitted previously in this case. Q29 contains hand printing in addition to handwriting. The conclusion was reached that the hand printing on Q29 was written by the writer of the hand printing on other questioned specimens submitted previously in this case.

No indented writing was found on Q27 through Q29. A six-cent U.S. postage stamp which came from a sheet of stamps was attached to Q27. Q27 through Q29 were written with a ball-point pen having blue ink.

Q27 is an envelope of Hotel Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Q28 is a sheet of stationery of Holiday Inn, Downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota. Q29 is a sheet of stationery of Cascade Motor Hotel, Duluth, Minnesota.

Q27 through Q29 are being returned separately. These specimens were photographed.

RECORDED
5/12/69FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: DALE CARL JEFFRIES; REVEREND RALPH

File # 9-44386

ABERNATHY - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON

Lab. # D-690512070 AT

POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ~~CARL STOKES - etc.~~

VICTIM; CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;

SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM; ~~HARRY BELAFONTE -~~VICTIM; ~~CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; RUFUS CATFISH~~~~MAYFIELD - VICTIM; STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM; EXTORTION - RM~~

Examination requested by: ATLANTA (9-1911) A. 5/7/69

OO: Minneapolis

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 5/9/69

Result of Examination:

Examination by: *b7c**h.w. Q27 - 629 Ident h.w. on p. 0;**h.p. 029 Ident p. 0 - h.p.**no indicated identity
Blue ball pt ink**Q27 - 68 U.S.
Stamp (sheet)*Specimens submitted for examination

- Q27 ~~XX~~ Envelope postmarked "MINNEAPOLIS MINN. 3A PM 2 MAY 1969," bearing handwritten address "Rev. Ralph Abernathy c/o Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia"
- Q28 Page one of two-page handwritten letter dated May 2, 1969, beginning "Rev. Ralph Abernathy: Well, black..." ending "...you on a scaffold."
- Q29 Page two of ~~XXXXXX~~ two-page handwritten letter ~~XXXX~~ beginning "2. While you hang..." signed "Signed K.K.K."

*Q27 Encl. Hotel Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wis.**Q28 - Holiday Inn, downtown Minneapolis**1-Envelope (157-9356)**Q29. Cascade Motor Hotel, Duluth, Minn.**2 - Minneapolis**9-1949**Lab report**5-29-69**b7c*

427 → 429

R R of Atlanta
would go this
let you NGER
↑

FBI

Date: 5/7/69

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: FBI LABORATORY
 FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-1911) (P)

DALE CARL JEFFRIES;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM;
 ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM
 CARL STOKES - VICTIM;
 CHARLES EVERS - VICTIM;
 SAMMY DAVIS, JR. - VICTIM
 HARRY BELAFONTE - VICTIM;
 CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM;
 RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD - VICTIM;
 STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
 EXTORTION - RM
 (OO: MINNEAPOLIS)

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 5/6/69, and
 Bureau teletype to WFO dated 5/6/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM,
 and for all recipient offices two copies of same LHM, dated
 and captioned as above, and suitable for dissemination.

Also enclosed for the Bureau is the original of
 the extortion letter and envelope marked "obscene".

2-Bureau (Enc. 8)(RM)
 2-Minneapolis (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Milwaukee (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Cleveland (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Los Angeles (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-New York (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Louisville (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Miami (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Jackson (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-WFO (Enc. 2)(RM)
 2-Atlanta

LABORATORY FILE COPY. CLEVER 5/9/69

9-44386
 D-690512070
 Q27-Q29
 5-12-69

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
 Special Agent in Charge

AT 9-1911

Re Bureau teletype to WFO referenced WFO teletype to Bureau dated 5/1/69, captioned "LUCIUS L. VALERA; CONGRESSMAN ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, JR. - VICTIM; ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, III - VICTIM; JULIAN POND - VICTIM; CASSIUS CLAY - VICTIM; LEROY ELDRIDGE CLEAVER - VICTIM; H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM; CARL STOKES - VICTIM; EXTORTION. OO: MINNEAPOLIS," and suggested WFO and Atlanta should coordinate these two investigations in the hope of identifying a common denominator.

Attention is drawn to the fact that both letters were postmarked in Minneapolis, Minnesota. WFO is to furnish background information to Atlanta concerning RUFUS CATFISH MAYFIELD and advise appropriate local authorities in the event MAYFIELD is presently in the Washington, D. C., area.

Milwaukee advised that the name of DALE CARL JEFFRIES does not appear in the Eau Claire, Wisc., City Directory, telephone directory, directory of Wisconsin State University at Eau Claire, files of Eau Claire, Wisc., Police Department, or Northwestern Credit Bureau, Inc. No record, Eau Claire Post Office, of subject ever having received mail or having ever left forwarding address. Address 607 Water Street, Eau Claire, is fictitious, as numbers jump from 601 to 609 Water Street.

b7c The Agent referred to in the enclosed LHM is SA [REDACTED] of the Atlanta Office.

REQUEST TO THE BUREAU

b7c The Identification Division is requested to process letter and envelope for latents. It is noted that the letter has been handled by [REDACTED] Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY, SCLC Offices, Atlanta, Georgia.

It is also noted that instant letter and envelope should be compared with the letter and envelope in aforementioned case on LUCIUS L. VALERA.

AT 9-1911

The FBI Laboratory is also requested to compare handwriting with similar samples contained in the anonymous letter file.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Attempt to identify subject in instant case and afore-mentioned LUCIUS L. VALERA.

Present to USA.

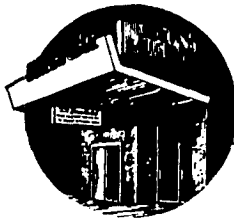
OTHER RECEIVING OFFICES

Notify appropriate local authorities and victims if possible.

ATLANTA

AT ATLANTA, GA.

Will maintain contact with SCLC Offices, Atlanta, Georgia.



Hotel Eau Claire

NORTHWEST'S FINEST HOTEL
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN 54701

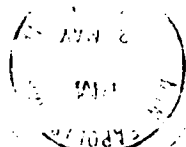


*Rev. Ralph Abernathy
& Southern Christian Leadership
Conference,
Atlanta,
Georgia*

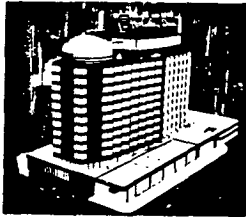
Personal

9-44386 Q27 AT

Dale Carl Jeffries
607 Water St.
Eau Claire, Wisc.



9-44386 Q27 AT



May 2, 1969

Rev. Ralph Abernathy:

Well, black
mother-fucker, your days
are numbered. This is
the very last straw.
Mother fucker, you will
be assassinated May 12th,
in your own home,
nigger bastard.

The Ku Klux Klan has
decreed your death.

Before you die, we will
rip your balls out of
their socket, then hang
you on a scaffold.



1873 NICOLLET AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55403

ROOMS - APARTMENTS

AREA CODE 218-722-8903

Cascade Motor Hotel

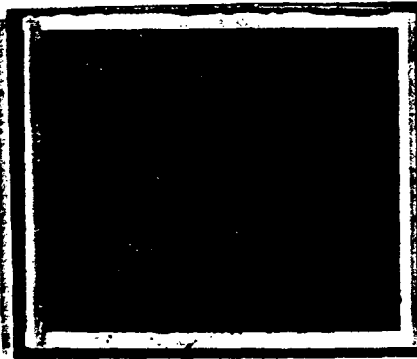
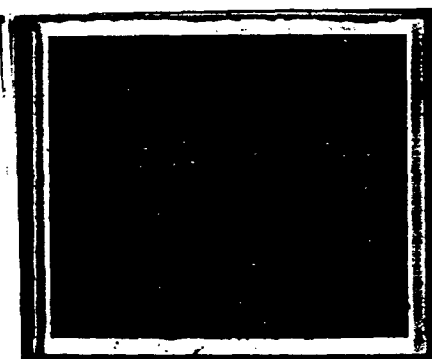
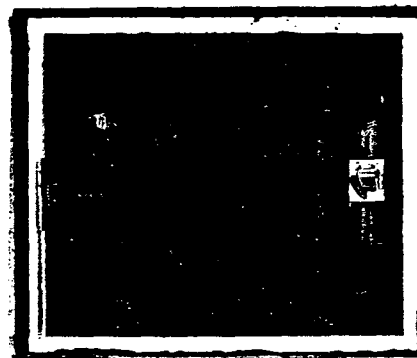
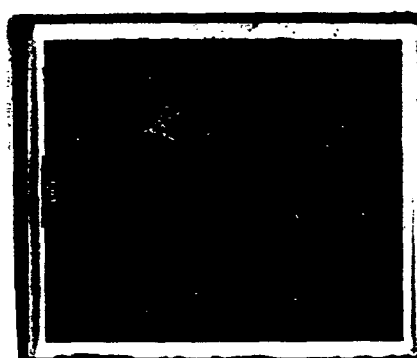
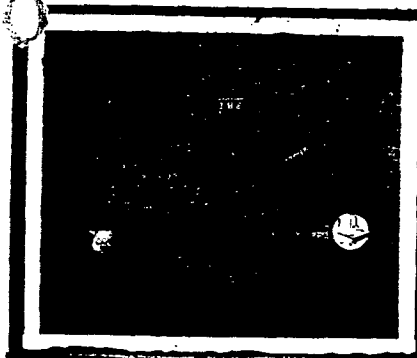
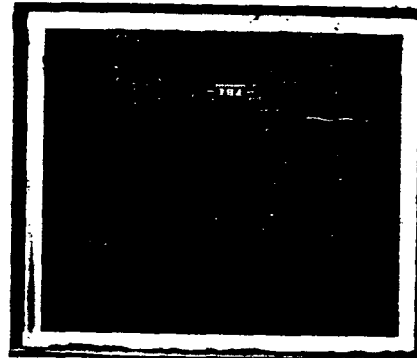
FIRST AVENUE WEST AND THIRD STREET

DULUTH, MINNESOTA 55806

C. WICK, MANAGER

WE WILL GET YOU
NIGGER
2, While you hang, you
will be set on fire,
Storley Carmichael, Sam
Davis Jr, Harry Belafonte,
Cassius Clay, the draft
dodging yellow nigger,
Rufus Catfish Mayfield,
Adam Clayton Powell,
Carl Stokes, his brother,
Charles Evers, and many
more Nigger communists
like yourself must die,
you are doomed Niggers
The Ku Klux Klan,
will burn you all
alive. Signed
K. K. K. H. H.

9-44386 C29 AT



FILE# 9-44386

DATE _____

EXAMINER

b7c

Q# 27-29

K#

NEGATIVES

INITIALS _____

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

For
Bates
Bishop
Callahan
Campbell
Cleveland
Conrad
Dalbey
Jenkins
Marshall
Miller, E.S.
Ponder
Soyars
Walters
Tele. Room
Mr. Kinley
Mr. Armstrong
Ms. Herwig
Mr. [redacted]

TO : Mr. Conrad

DATE: August 16, 1972

FROM : [redacted] b7c

SUBJECT: MORRIS CHESLER;
EXTORTION

Attached is Interesting Identification number 1331
entitled "Anonymous Letter Names Its Writer."

on 7/15/76, SA [redacted] b7c
USSS [redacted] requested
all info re threats against
Mondale. This case was
brought to his attention.
He advises USSS already
has details [redacted] b7c

Enclosure

9-44386

- 1 - [redacted] 4264
1 - Mr. Campbell, 5625
1 - [redacted] 809 OPO
1 - Mr. Conrad
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]

REC-47

9-44386-183
6 AUG 17 1972

6 AUG 30 1972
ENCLOSURE

9-44386

I. I. L. Draft #1331

August 16, 1972

ANONYMOUS LETTER NAMES ITS WRITER

During the period from 1965 to early January, 1971, 168 questioned documents were submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination in a case involving scurrilous, racist and threatening letters which had been mailed to many prominent persons including former Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey, Adam Clayton Powell and United States Senators Walter Mondale, Birch Bayh and Edward Kennedy.

Examination by the FBI Laboratory of one of the letters revealed a distinctive watermark. Another letter was found to contain the word "Chesler" in indented writing.

Using information furnished by the FBI Laboratory concerning the watermark, the paper was traced by FBI Agents to a Minneapolis siding and roofing contractor. A review of company records revealed the firm had an employee named Morris Chesler. Subsequently, Chesler was identified as the writer of the letters by an FBI Document Examiner.

Chesler was arrested, tried, and found guilty of violating the Federal Extortion Statute, thus ending the threatening letter writing that had spanned more than a five-year period.

9-44386-183
ENCLOSURE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/2/68

(ATTENTION: LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION)

FROM

SAC, ATLANTA (9-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT

UNSUB, aka

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and a Xeroxed copy of a threatening letter to Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, presently President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Also enclosed for the Bureau is the original and Xeroxed copy of the envelope bearing above described letter. Two copies of both the letter and envelope are also being enclosed for New York.

Also enclosed for the New York Office are

received a letter addressed to ABERNATHY which letter is enclosed and self-explanatory. [redacted] advised [redacted] is unknown to SCLC, Atlanta, and it is believed the letter is the results of a crank.

The Bureau is requested to make an examination of the enclosed original letter and envelope for latent fingerprints and advise Atlanta and New York of results. It is noted that the only personnel having handled above letter is [redacted] SCLC [redacted] stenographer, Atlanta Office, and SA [redacted]

New York is requested to conduct appropriate investigation and identify [redacted]

[redacted] furnishing same to the Bureau for comparison with handwriting and any latent prints of value obtained.

- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 4) (RM)
- 2 - New York (Encls. 6)
- 3 - Atlanta
- (2 - 9-NEW)



9-48911

L. 12-2-68 - C. H. L. (S. M. M.)

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Indul, also

[REDACTED]

Reverend Ralph L. [REDACTED]

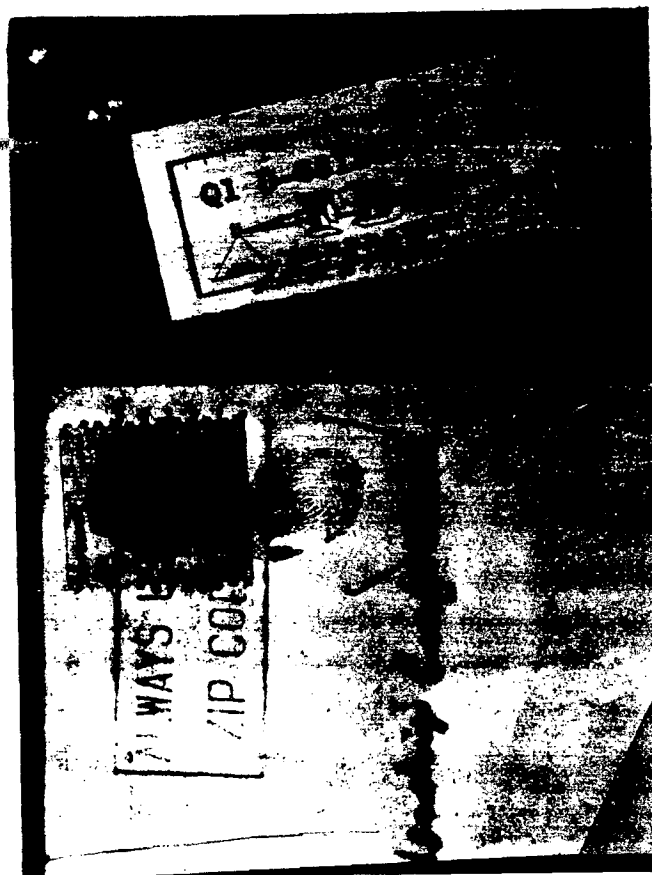
Victim

Extortion - Rachel [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7C

11-1-68
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11-1-68



Q2 D-681206073 LF

FBI
LABORATORY
S.N.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

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YOUR FILE

REC-134

FBI FILE NO.

9-48911-1

LATENT CASE NO.

A-1281

TO: SAC, Atlanta

January 10, 1969

RE: UNSUB... AKA

b7c

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
 EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

REFERENCE: Letter 12/2/68
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Atlanta
 SPECIMENS:

Q1, envelope
 Q2, handwritten note

The listed Q specimens are described in the Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

Two latent fingerprints of value developed on the specimens.

Basis information furnished, no fingerprint record could be located in our files for any persons using the names [redacted] or [redacted] b7c

The latent fingerprints are not identical with the fingerprints of SA [redacted] or [redacted] b7c

(Continued on next page)

Enc. (2)

1 - New York

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

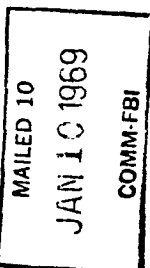
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Tolson _____
 DeLoach _____
 Mohr _____
 Bishop _____
 Casper _____
 Callahan _____
 Conrad _____
 Felt _____
 Gale _____
 Rosen _____
 Sullivan _____
 Tavel _____
 Trotter _____
 Tele. Room _____
 Holmes _____
 Gandy _____

(5) 1/93 THIS REPORT IS FURNISHED FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

MAIL [] TELETYPE UNIT []

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SAC, Atlanta

January 18, 1969

One latent fingerprint was searched through the extortion section of our single fingerprint file, but no identification was effected. The remaining latent fingerprint, although of value for identification purposes, lacks sufficient pattern area to be searched.

The specimens are enclosed.

Page 2
LC 44-1281

RECORDED

12/9/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

DATE RECORDED 1/6/69 9:40 a.m. DATE RECEIVED 1/3/69
Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB, aka

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

LATENT

File #

Lab. #D-681206073 LF

LC. #A-1281

Examination requested by: Atlanta (9-New) L. 12/2/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 12/6/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Processed Q1 + Q27 - Q1 to Photo - noted
 Processed Q 2 S.N. - Q2 to Photo S.N. 1-6-69
 called CI - Basis info furnished - notes located for any person
 using names

1st DPT of Value developed on - Q1 (rim) - no additional
 1st DPT of Value developed on - Q2 (SN) - SN - only

Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten address "Southern Christian
 Leadership Conference Atlanta, Georgia"

Q2 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Ralph Abernathy
 will get what....." with cut out portions of
 Q, attached (return address and postmark)

1 New York

Examination completed

9/30/68

Time

1/8/69

Date

Dictated

Date

2 Lat prints not ident prints of = S.A. [redacted] or b7c

Lat compared T.T.

1 Lat print searched through Extortion section of our
SPP - no ident effected - Remaining Lat print
lacks sufficient pattern area to be searched.

Lat report separate

Specimens enclosed.

Enc (2)

1-8-69

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b7c

PC 7-1-69

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

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9-48911-2,3
CHANGED TO
9-48568-10x, file. P as
outgoing to 10x

APR 18 1969

 b7c



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **FBI, Atlanta (9-New)**

Date: **December 31, 1968**

Re: **UNSUB**

**REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

D-681206073 LF

Examination requested by: **Atlanta**
Reference: **Letter 12/2/68**
Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**
Remarks:

**Specimens Q1 and Q2 will be returned to you with the
results of the latent fingerprint examination.**



ENCLOSURE

**EX-103
REC-1**

9-48911-4

19 JAN 14 1969

**Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
1 - New York Enclosure (Lab report)**

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

57 FEB 4 1969
MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Atlanta (9-New)**Date: **December 31, 1968**Re: **UNSUB. aka** *b7c*

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

D-681206073 LF

**REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS**

Specimens received **12/6/68**

- Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten address "Southern Christian Leadership Conference Atlanta, Georgia" (portion of envelope cut out)**
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Ralph Abernathy will get what....," with cut out portion of Q1 attached (return address and postmark)**

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies will be added thereto.

Specimen Q1 contains no watermarks, indented writing of significance, or any other identifying characteristics which would assist in determining its source.

Specimen Q2 contains no watermarks. Indistinct indented writing was noted on specimen Q2, however, the text of this indented writing could not be determined.

The postage stamp on specimen Q1 originated from a coil of stamps.

The physical characteristics of the submitted items have been noted and are maintained for future reference.

The submitted evidence will be returned to you separately. Appropriate photographs have been made.

Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

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MAIL ROOM ☐TELETYPE UNIT ☐

RECORDED
12/9/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB aka

File # **9-48911-4**
Lab. #D-681206073 LF

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS
L A T E N T

Examination requested by: Atlanta (9-New) L. 12/2/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 12/6/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Q₁ & Q₂ neg ALF. added.
Q₁ no winks or indented writing.
Q₂ no winks; contains faint indented writing, however that
could not be determined.
Stamp Q₁ from coat.
mail ret'd sep. Photos
to Ret'd sep with ALF results.

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten address "Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Georgia" (*portion of envelope cut out*)
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Ralph Abernathy will get what....." (*with cut out portion of Q₁, attached (return address and postmark)*)

1 New York

Lab report
12/31/68

PHOTOCOPIED

DEC 11 1968

3 B - 100

W.Y. Vt., Mass., Conn., N.J., Penn
Ga., Tenn., N.C., S.C., Tex., Ala.
No Ident

12-10

b7c

Q 9.5" x 4.15" x .0045"
no words, indented writing
Stamp from coil,
some red coloring in the lower
left portion. "ir" on flap
reverse side

white env.
postmark and
portion of env.
cut away

Q 10.02" x 7.95" x .0032"
no words
Contains indented writing.

sheet of white linen finish
paper.

b7c

b7c

RECORDED
12/2/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **UNSUB, aka**
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL

File # **9-48911-4**
Lab. # **D-681206073 LF**

L A T E N T

Atlanta (9-New) L. 12/2/68

Examination requested by:

Document - Fingerprint

Examination requested:

Date received: **12/6/68**

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

*FFPS
noted
Q, & Co*

*12/2/68
Q-11P2
not enclosed with
L-11P3 not dated
1-12-69
dent 12/30*

Received by: FFPS
12/6/68

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten address "Southern Christian Leadership Conference Atlanta, Georgia"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Ralph Abernathy will get what....."

PHOTOGRAPHED

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9-489114

DO NOT DESTROY
LITIGATION

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB aka [REDACTED] b7c

REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY

VICTIM

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Enclosed is original and Xeroxed copy of threatening letter to Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, President of SCLC. Also enclosed is original and Xeroxed copy of envelope bearing above described letter.

Q1 D-681206073 LF



*Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Atlanta, Georgia*

Q1 D-681206073 LF

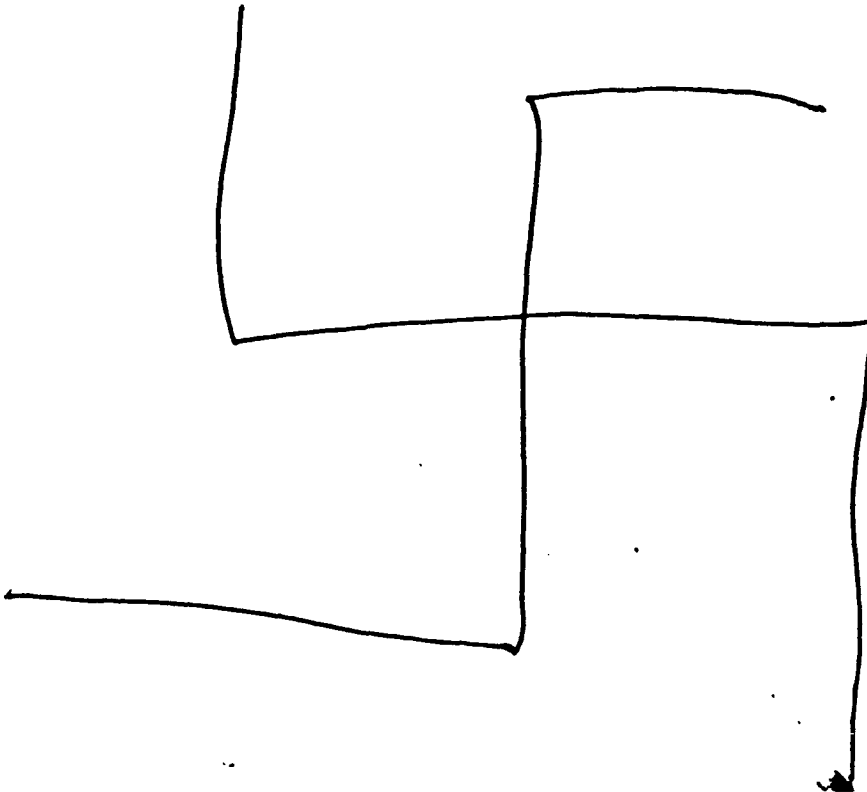
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b7C

[REDACTED] h Abernathy
will get what
Martini Lucifer Cong
got. It will happen
on 1/15/69. It
will be a great pleasure
for me to torture and
kill Ralph Abernathy
Death to all black niggers.

HEIL HITLER.



02 D-681206073 1F

DEC 2 - 1933



Mr. Abernathy
will not report

Martin Luther King

2nd. It will happen

on 1/15/69. It

will be a great pleasure
for me to tattoo and

kill Ralph Abernathy

Death to all black niggers.

~~HITLER~~



Mr. Abernathy
will get what
Martin Luther King
got. It will happen
on 4/15/68. It
will be a great pleasure
for me to torture and
kill Ralph Abernathy
Seater to all black niggers

HELL HITLER

4-11614-6

FILE#

D-681206073

DATE _____

EXAMINER

#

[REDACTED]

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Q#

K#

NEGATIVES

INITIALS _____

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DATE: 1/28/69

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA

(9-1884) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB. aka [REDACTED] b7c

REV. RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER
(OO: AT)

Re Atlanta letter to Bureau, 12/2/68.

The New York Office is requested to expeditiously advise Atlanta of results of lead set forth in re communication in order that this case can be brought to a logical conclusion.

b7c [REDACTED]

REC-6 9-48911-5

b7c [REDACTED]



2-Bureau (RM)
2-New York (RM)
2-Atlanta
[REDACTED] b7c

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORTING OFFICE ATLANTA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 2/17/69	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/2/68-1/24/69
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB, aka [REDACTED] b7c REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION-RACIAL MATTER	

REFERENCE: Atlanta letter to Bureau dated 12/2/68.
New York letter to Atlanta dated 1/31/69.

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LEADSNEW YORKAT [REDACTED]

Will continue to [REDACTED]

ATLANTAAT ATLANTA, GA.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					None	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		

APPROVED **[REDACTED] b7c**
COPIES MADE: **[REDACTED]**

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IN CHARGE

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9-48911-6**REC-10****12 FEB 18 1969**

(2-Bureau (9-48911))
1-USA, Atlanta, Georgia
2-New York (9-5044)
2-Atlanta (9-1534)

Dissemination Record of Attached Report			
Agency	1-CRR (694)		
Request Re	[REDACTED] b7c		
Date Fwd.	2-27-69		
How Fwd.	[REDACTED]		
By	[REDACTED]		

Notations

AT 9-1884

will, upon receipt of coverage of above lead,
present facts in this matter to appropriate USA, Atlanta,
Georgia.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Atlanta, Georgia

Report of:
Date:

b7c SA [REDACTED]
February 17, 1969

Office: Atlanta, Georgia

Field Office File #: AT 9-1884

Bureau File #: 9-48911

Title:

b7c UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as
[REDACTED]
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM

Character:

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER

Synopsis:

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[REDACTED]
Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY of the SCLC, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] received a threatening letter directed to ABERNATHY
which stated "Ralph Abernathy will get what Martini Lucifer
Cong got. It will happen on January 15, 1969. It will
be a great pleasure for me to torture and kill Ralph
Abernathy. Death to all black niggers. Heil Hitler."
[REDACTED] furnished the letter and envelope which bore
return address of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Copy of letter and
envelope set forth. Results of FBI Laboratory examinations
set forth. [REDACTED]
negative at [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

AT 9-1884

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This case was predicated upon receipt of a telephonic complaint received from [REDACTED] Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 330 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, on December 2, 1968. [REDACTED] received a letter addressed to Reverend ABERNATHY which was believed to be a crank letter, but one which threatened ABERNATHY's safety, [REDACTED] should be brought to the attention of the FBI.

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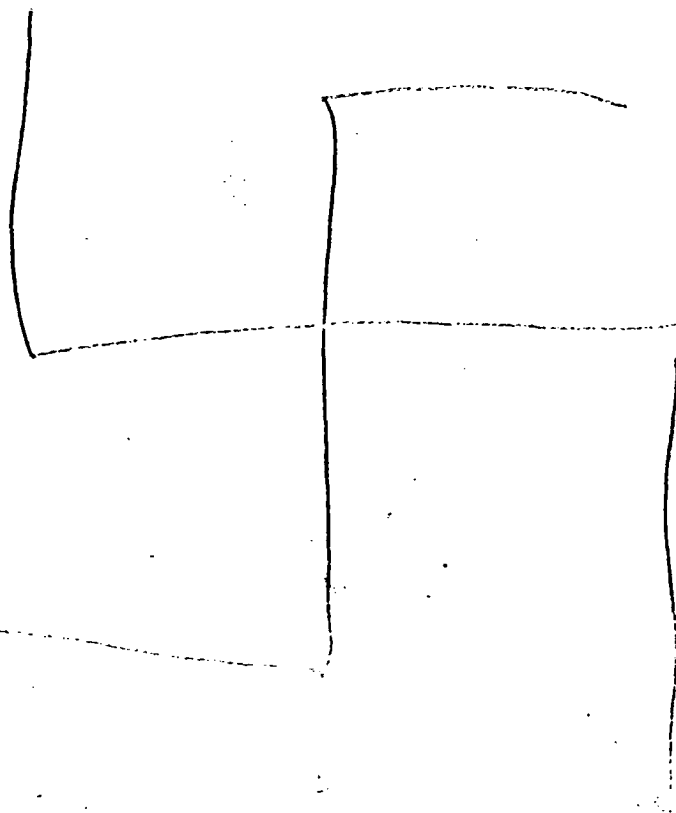
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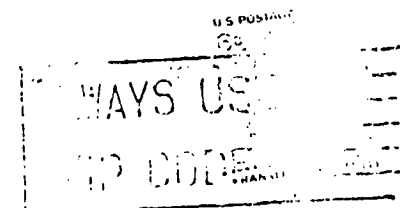
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on 1/15/69. It
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for me to torture and
kill Ralph Abernathy.
Death to all black niggers.

HEIL HITLER.





*Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Atlanta, Georgia*

AT 9-1881

The FBI Laboratory by communication dated
December 31, 1968, furnished the following information:

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Atlanta (9-New)

Date: December 31, 1968

Re: UNSUB a/a

FBI File No.

Lab. No. D-681206073 LF

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REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Specimens received 12/6/68

- Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten address "Southern Christian Leadership Conference Atlanta, Georgia" (portion of envelope cut out)
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten note beginning "Ralph Abernathy will get what....," with cut out portion of Q1 attached (return address and postmark)

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies will be added thereto.

Specimen Q1 contains no watermarks, indented writing of significance, or any other identifying characteristics which would assist in determining its source.

Specimen Q2 contains no watermarks. Indistinct indented writing was noted on specimen Q2, however, the text of this indented writing could not be determined.

The postage stamp on specimen Q1 originated from a coil of stamps.

The physical characteristics of the submitted items have been noted and are maintained for future reference.

The submitted evidence will be returned to you separately. Appropriate photographs have been made.

BEST COPY AVAILABLE

AT 9-1384

The FBI Laboratory by letter dated January 10, 1969, advised that two latent fingerprints of value were developed on the envelope and handwritten note previously furnished to the Laboratory. The Laboratory indicated that no fingerprint record could be located in the FBI Identification Division concerning a [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

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The Laboratory also indicated that one latent fingerprint was searched through the extortion section of the single fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

By letter dated January 31, 1969, the New York Office furnished the following information:

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

Investigation at [REDACTED]
reflects that [REDACTED]

On December 17, 1968, January 10, 1969, and January 24, 1969, [REDACTED] were unproductive [REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE ATLANTA	OFFICE OF ORIGIN ATLANTA	DATE 5/28/69	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/28/69 - 5/1/69
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB, aka [REDACTED] b7c REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER	

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] at Atlanta, 2/17/69.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

It is noted that there are no additional investigative matters to be conducted in Atlanta and that the New York Division [REDACTED] in connection with instant case and a Los Angeles Division case entitled UNSUB, aka [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] - VICTIM; [REDACTED] VICTIM - EXTORTION and, therefore, Atlanta is closing its case and submitting a copy of instant report to New York for information.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						☒ NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO		
								PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

APPROVED

SPECIAL AGENT
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- (2) - Bureau (9-48911)
1 - USA, Atlanta, Georgia
1 - New York (9-5044) (Info)
1 - Atlanta (9-1884)

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Request Recd.			
Date Fwd.			
How Fwd.			
By			

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Atlanta, Georgia

Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]
May 28, 1969

b7c
Office: Atlanta, Georgia

Field Office File #:

9-1884

Bureau File #: 9-48911

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT also known as, b7c
[REDACTED]
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM

Character:

EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER

Synopsis:

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[REDACTED] It
was determined [REDACTED] was not identical with subject.
[REDACTED] RALPH ABERNATHY,
[REDACTED] had received no further communications
of a similar nature directed to Reverend ABERNATHY.

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AT 9-1884

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent [REDACTED] at Atlanta, Georgia:

On April 25, 1969, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RALPH D. ABERNATHY, President, Southern
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), was contacted
[REDACTED] received no further
communications of a similar nature directed to Reverend
ABERNATHY.

b7c
By communication dated May 1, 1969, the Identification
Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, advised that Latent
Fingerprints and one inked fingerprint previously reported
in a case under investigation by the New York and Los
Angeles Divisions were not identical with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **BAC, Washington Field Office
(9-2768)**

Date: **April 1, 1971**

Re: **UNSUB, aka The National
Socialist White People's Party;
People's Coalition for Peace and
Justice - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: New York**

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.
Lab. No.

D-710318057 KR

Examination requested by: **Washington Field Office**

Reference: **Airtel 3-17-71**

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Remarks:

The results of the requested latent fingerprint examination will be forwarded separately at which time you will be advised of the disposition of the submitted evidence.

b7c
The UNSUB [REDACTED] etc. - Victim case, mentioned in attached Laboratory report, has Bufile #9-48568, Los Angeles file 9-3924 (Los Angeles office of origin) and New York file 9-4966. The UNSUB - Abernathy - Victim case, mentioned in attached report, has Bufile #9-48911, Atlanta file 9-1884 (Atlanta office of origin) and New York file 9-5044.

The identification of this case in the Anonymous Letter File, was set forth in attached Laboratory report, was made by Document Analyst [REDACTED]

NOT RECORDED

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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- 1 - Washington Field Office (100-51888) Enclosure (Lab report)**
2 - New York (9-4966) (9-5044) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Los Angeles (9-3924) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
2 - Atlanta (9-1884) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)
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1 - Bufile (80-691)

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REPORT
of the1 - [REDACTED]
b7cFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Washington Field Office
(9-2768)

Re: UNSUB, aka The National
Socialist White People's
Party; People's Coalition
for Peace and Justice - VICTIM
EXTORTION

Date: April 1, 1971

FBI File No. D-710318057 KR

Lab. No.

Specimens received 3-18-71

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "FLUSHING NY 3B PM 11 MAR 1971" bearing handwritten address "People's Coalition for Peace and Justice 1029 Vermont Ave., N.Y. Room 900 Washington, D.C. 20009"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "You will probably get other letters..."

Result of examination:

A search of specimens Q1 and Q2 in the Anonymous Letter File revealed specimens previously received in the cases captioned "UNSUB, aka [REDACTED] aka - Victim; [REDACTED] aka - Victim; Extortion," and "UNSUB, aka [REDACTED] Rev. Ralph Abernathy - Victim; Extortion."

It was concluded that the questioned writing on specimens Q1 and Q2 in this case was written by the writer or writers of the questioned writing appearing on specimens received previously in the two UNSUB cases, mentioned above.

No watermarks, indented writings of value or other characteristics were noted on specimens Q1 and Q2 which would aid in identifying the immediate source of the material.

Specimens Q1 and Q2 will be returned separately.
Photographs are retained.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

b7c

9-2768

April 9, 1971

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

A-34733

LATENT CASE NO.

TO: SAC, WFO

RE:

UNSUB., AKA

THE NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY;

PEOPLE'S COALITION FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE - VICTIM

RE:

EXTORTION

REFERENCE:

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

SPECIMENS:

Airtel 3/17/71

Envelope, Q1

Letter, Q2

WFO

NATL PHT AGENCY 11-11-71

Listed 4 specimens described in separate
Laboratory report.

Sixteen latent fingerprints and one latent
palm print developed on specimens.

Two latent fingerprints have been identified
as finger impressions of [REDACTED]

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2 - New York (9-4966) (1 - 9-5044)

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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SAC, WFO

April 9, 1971

b7c Remaining latent fingerprints not identical
fingerprints of [REDACTED] No palm prints located here for
this individual.

Specimens enclosed.

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Date: 7/20/68

Transmit the following in AIRTEL
(Type in plaintext or code)Via _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-new)
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
 EXTORTION-RACIAL MATTER

OO - Sacramento

On July 19, 1968, [REDACTED] NAACP, Vallejo Branch, Vallejo, California, brought to the Resident Agency at Vallejo an anonymous letter postmarked Vallejo, California, June 19, 1968. The letter was addressed to NAACP, 1912 Broadway, Vallejo, California, 94590. The envelope contained a photograph of Doctor MARTIN LUTHER KING cut from a magazine and a handwritten note which is quoted as follows:

"Take a good look old '(obscene) mouth' himself. Abernathy is another one. Someone will get him. Wait and see. You Niggers cannot throw yourselves around preaching violence. It will come home to you. 'Reap what you sew.' Old Humphry is just the oposite from a '(obscene) mouth.' He is a fellow with an alum mouth. Both sound like a Hell fire, damnation hillbilly preacher."

REC-71 [REDACTED] 9-48337-1
 [REDACTED] states there has been at least one prior letter received by NAACP, Vallejo, in the same vein.

On July 19, 1968, Assistant United States Attorney JAMES H. DAFFER, Sacramento, California, consulted as to

3 - Bureau
 2 - Sacramento

[REDACTED] (5)

Approved: _____
 Special Agent in Charge

6 JUL 24 1968
 M Per _____

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whether the anonymous letter could be considered a threat under the Extortion Statute. He is inclined to think it is not but does not want to give a firm opinion until he has researched the law on this subject. He will give an opinion Monday, July 22, 1968.

The anonymous letter will be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for examination for latent fingerprints and handwriting comparison for possible identification in the Anonymous Letter File.

If Assistant United States Attorney does not feel this letter is a threat within the Extortion Statute, investigation will be conducted as a racial matter in an effort to identify the sender.

SAC, Sacramento

July 24, 1968

Director, FBI

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1 - [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER
OO: SACRAMENTO

Re Sacramento airtel 7/20/68, no copy sent to Atlanta.

Enclosed for Atlanta is one copy of referenced communication. Advise appropriate local authorities of the threats made against the victim.

Sacramento refer to the FBI Handbook concerning handling of Extortion - Racial Matter situations. These matters are to be presented to the Department for a prosecutive opinion and not the United States Attorney's Office. You may desire to consult the United States Attorney's Office to determine if this communication, from a legal standpoint, is a violation of the Federal Extortion Statute. These comments should be included in an appropriate letterhead memorandum for dissemination to the Department and should be followed by an investigative closing report containing the results of a preliminary investigation.

1 - Atlanta (Enclosure)

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NOTE

[REDACTED] brought to the attention of the Sacramento Office a letter sent to the NAACP. This communication contains possible threats of a racial nature against Reverend Ralph Abernathy. Atlanta is being instructed to advise appropriate local authorities of this communication inasmuch as they are the office of origin in the case concerning Abernathy.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

b7c

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LAB

DATE: 7/29/68

FROM :

SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-36)(P)

SUBJECT:

UNSUB;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RM
OO: Sacramento

680802032

Remyairtel, 7/20/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau (under obscene cover), is an envelope addressed to NAACP, Vallejo Branch, postmarked Vallejo, California, 6/19/68; a picture of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING; and a handwritten note reading, "Take a good look. . ." and ending, "hillbilly preacher."

AUSA JAMES H. DAFFER, Sacramento, California, on 7/26/68, advised that he would consider prosecution in this case and requested investigation in an attempt to identify the sender of this letter. b7c

It is requested that the items submitted be examined for latent fingerprints and handwriting comparison against the anonymous letter file. The items submitted should be returned to Sacramento upon completion of examination.

In the event latent fingerprints are developed, they should be compared with the fingerprints of [REDACTED] b7c

Any latent fingerprints developed should also be compared with the fingerprints of [REDACTED] b7c

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- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 1)(RM)
- 2 - Sacramento

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

b7c

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO.

9-36

9-48337

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August 21, 1968

TO:

SAC, Sacramento

b7c

RE:

UNSUB.;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
 VICTIM
 EXTORTION - RM

REFERENCE:

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY:

SPECIMENS:

Letter 7/29/68

Sacramento

Envelope, Q1

Letter, Q2

Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King, Q3

No latent prints of value developed on specimens,
 Q1 through Q3.

Q1 through Q3 enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.

Enc. (3)

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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8/5/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

RECORDED: 8/15/68 1:25 P.M. RECEIVED: 8/15/68

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB,;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - Victim
 EXTORTION - AM RM
 OO: Sacramento

File # 9-48337-2
 Lab. # D0680802032 EQ
 LC #95818

LATENT

Examination requested by: Sacramento 487 9-36

L. 7/29/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 8/1/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]
b7c [REDACTED]

*No lab. - routine, num., silver
 Q1-Q3 emb.
 Lab. report sep.
 8/15*

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "VALLEJO, CA JUN 19 PM 1968 94590," bearing handwritten address "N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch. 1912 Broadway. Vallejo Calif 94590"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "Take a good look ..." and ending "Mill billy preacher."
- Q3 Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King

Examination completed

Time

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Date

8/15

Dictated

Date

8/15

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F B I

Date: 7/30/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (9-36) P

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RE: UNSUB;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER
OO: SACRAMENTO

ReBulet to Sacramento dated 7/24/68 and San Francisco letter to Bureau dated 7/29/68.

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of LHM for dissemination to the Department.

Closing report will be submitted upon receipt of results of FBI Laboratory examination.

3 - Bureau (Encl - 8)
2 - Sacramento
FBB/spw
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ENCLOSURE

REC 22

9-48337-3

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1 cc Hm
OST-ONE 62
See file
RE-AM-571
8/2/68

Approved: 57 AUG 1 1968 Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Sacramento, California
July 30, 1968

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM

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b7D On July 19, 1968 [REDACTED]
NAACP, Vallejo Branch, Vallejo, California, brought to the
Resident Agency at Vallejo an anonymous letter postmarked
Vallejo, California, June 19, 1968. The letter was addressed
to NAACP, 1912 Broadway, Vallejo, California, 94590. The
envelope contained a photograph of Doctor Martin Luther King
cut from a magazine and a handwritten note which is quoted
as follows:

"Take a good look old '(obscene) mouth'
himself. Abernathy is another one. Someone will
get him. Wait and see. You Niggers cannot
throw yourselves around preaching violence.
It will come home to you. 'Reap what you sew.'
Old Humphry is just the opposite from a
'(obscene) mouth.' He is a fellow with an
alum mouth. Both sound like a Hell fire,
damnation hillbilly preacher."

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b7D [REDACTED] states there has been at least one prior
letter received by NAACP, Vallejo, in the same vein.

On July 19 and 26, 1968, Assistant U. S. Attorney
James H. Daffer, Sacramento, California, was consulted and he
advised on the latter date that in his opinion the communication
referred to, from a legal standpoint, might be considered a
violation of the Federal Extortion Statute.

The letter has been submitted to the FBI Laboratory
for examination for latent fingerprints and comparison with
other anonymous letters submitted in similar matters.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions
of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to
your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed
outside your agency.

ENCLOSURE

9-48337-3

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Sacramento

August 15, 1968

Re: UNSUB;
REVEREND RALPH
ABERNATHY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RM
00: Sacramento

John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR NO. 9-36
FBI FILE NO. 9-48337
LAB. NO. D-680802032 EQ

Reference Letter dated July 29, 1968 EX-103

The material described below has been searched in the following file without effecting an identification: **Anonymous Letter File**

Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

The submitted material is **temporarily retained.**

19 AUG 21 1968

MATERIAL SUBMITTED:

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "VALLEJO, CA JUN 19 PM 1968 94590," bearing handwritten address "N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch. 1912 Broadway. Vallejo Calif 94590"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "Take a good look..." and ending "hill billy preacher."
- Q3 Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King

Remarks:

ENCLOSURE
You will be advised separately regarding the latent fingerprint report.

54 AUG 26 1968

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8/5/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB,;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - Victim
EXTORTION - ~~AM~~ RM
OO: Sacramento

File # 9-48337-4
Lab. # D0680802032 EQ

L A T E N T

Examination requested by: Sacramento ~~182~~ 9-36

L. 7/29/68

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 8/1/68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

7/4 Searched in ALF
No Ident
Copies Added

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You will be advised separately regarding
LFP report

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "VALLEJO, CA JUN 19 PM 1968 94590," bearing handwritten address "N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch. 1912 Broadway. Vallejo Calif 94590"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "Take a good look ..." and ending "Mill billy preacher."
- Q3 Picture of Dr. Martin ~~Luther~~ Luther King

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8/5/68

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NO LAB FILE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: **UNSUB,;**
REVERENT RALPH ABERNATHY - Victim
EXTORTION - AN RM
OO: Sacramento

File # **9-483374**
 Lab. # **D0000002032 EQ**

L A T E N T

Examination requested by: **Sacramento #22 9-36**

L. 7/29/68

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

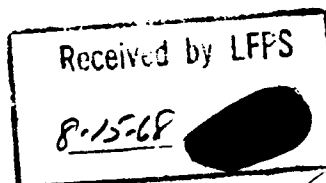
Date received: **8/1/68**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: **b7c**

Return evid
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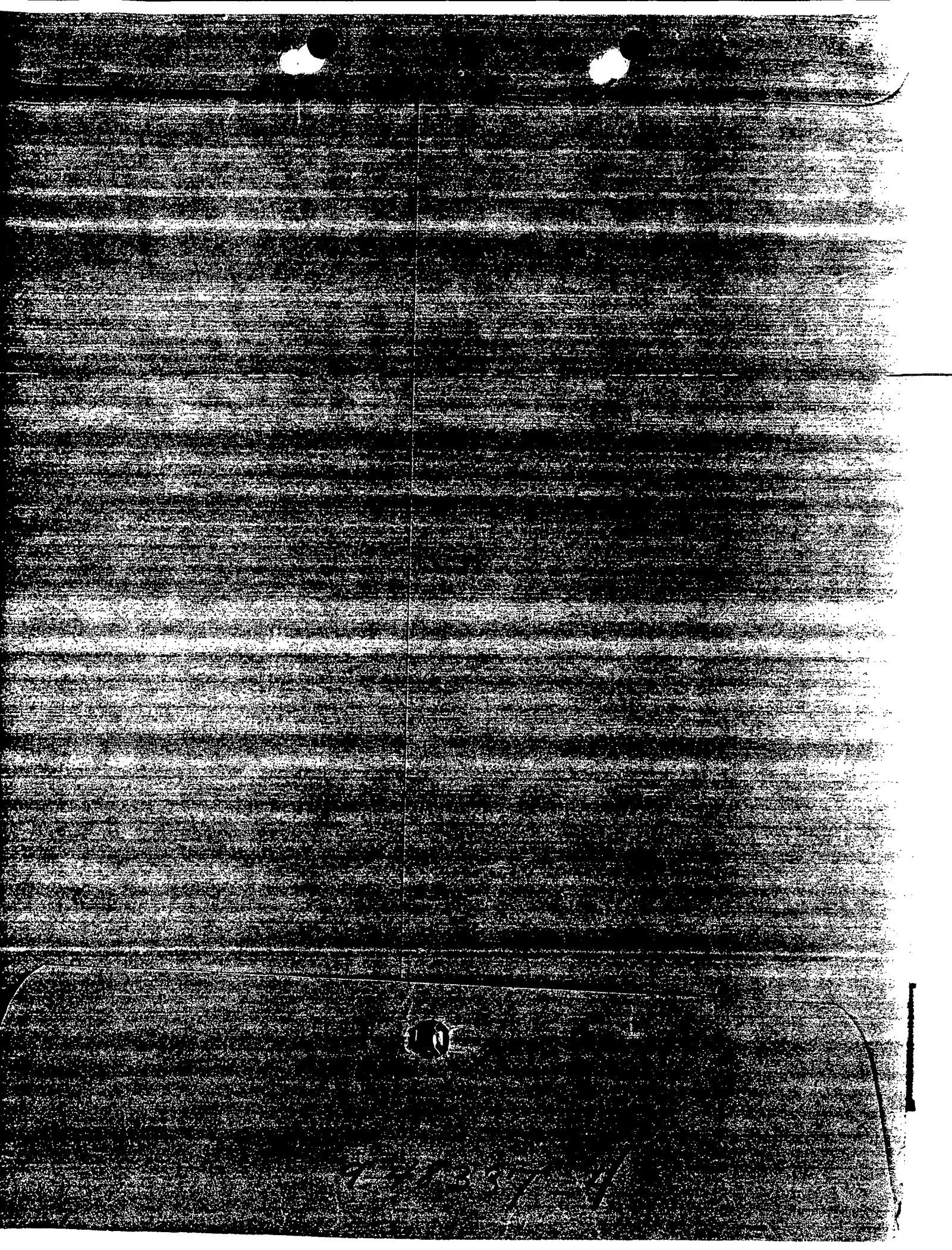
81-83 returned by LFPS
8/20/68
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Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "VALLEJO, CA JUN 19 PM 1968 94590," bearing handwritten address "N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch. 1912 Broadway. Vallejo Calif 94590"**
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "Take a good look ..." and ending "Mill billy preacher."**
- Q3 Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King**

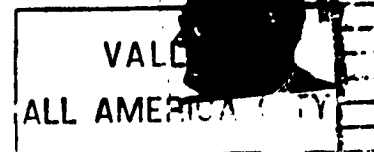
AUG 6 1968



Bureau of Customs
 MAR 22 1964
 Postmarked: Mill
 California, 3/19/64

[illegible]

W.C.



N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch.
1912 Broadway.
Vallejo Calif 94590

680802032 EQ

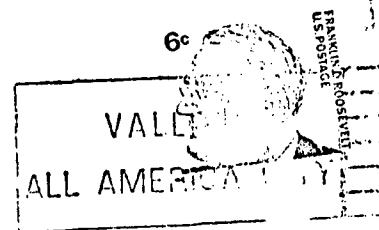


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Take a good look
Old "Swat Mouth" himself.

Abernathy is another one.

Some one will get him wait
and see. You niggers cannot
throw yourselves around
preaching violence it will come
home to you. "You reap what
you sow!" Old Humphrey is
just the opposite from a "Swat
mouth". He is a fellow with
an alum mouth" Both sound
like a Hell fire damnation
hill billy preacher.

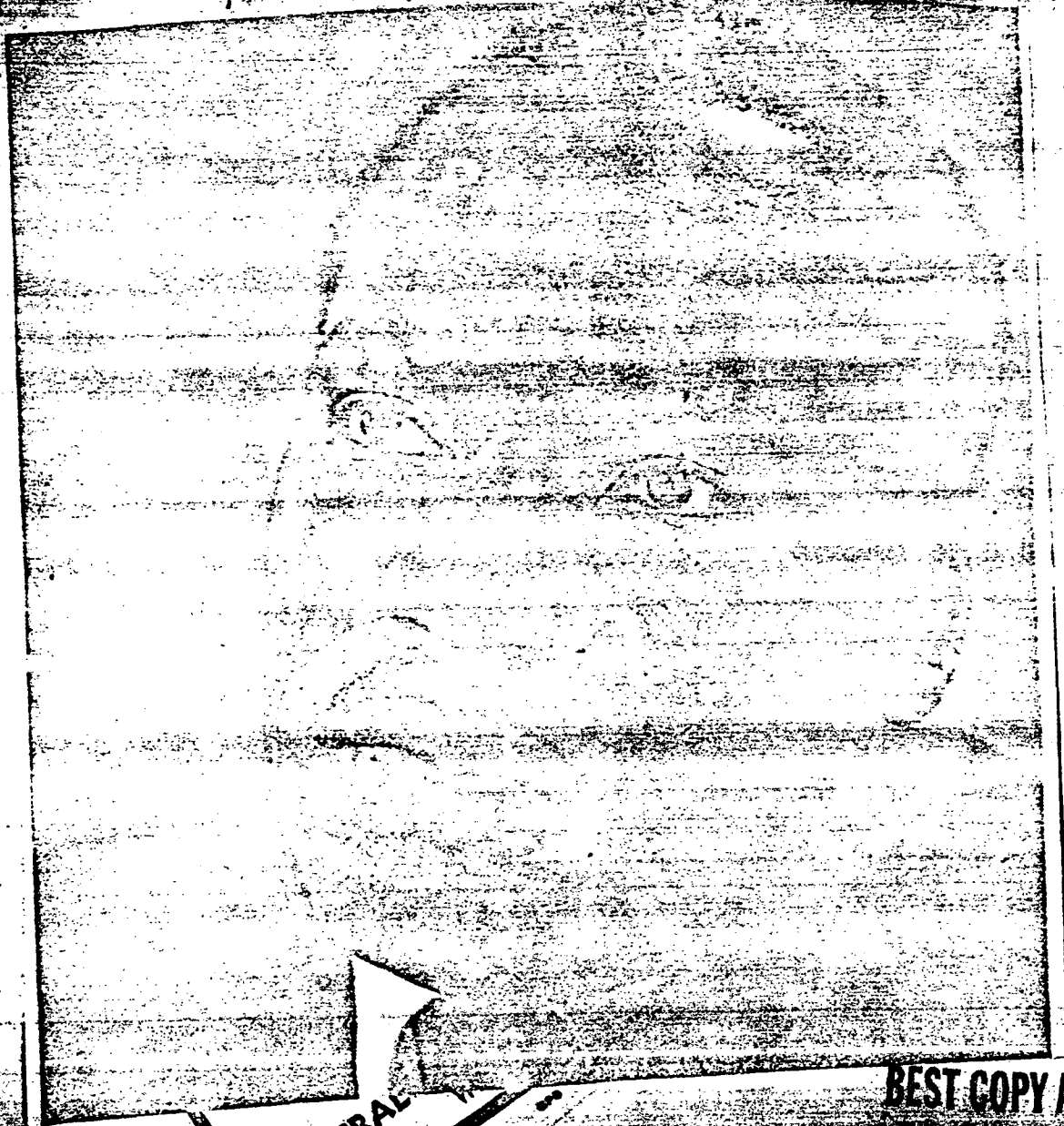


N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch
1912 Broadway.
Vallejo Calif 94590

Take a good look
at
Old Swat made himself

Abernathy is another one.

Some one will get him wait
and see. You niggers cannot
throw yourselves around
preaching violence it will come
home to you. "You reap what
you sow!" Old Humphrey is
just the opposite from a "twat
mouth". He is a fellow with
an alum mouth. Both sound
like a Hell fire denunciation
hell billy preacher.



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SACRAMENTO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN SACRAMENTO	DATE 8/29/68	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/19/68 - 8/23/68
TITLE OF CASE UNSUB; REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTER	

REFERENCE:

Sacramento airtels to Bureau dated 7/30/68 and 7/30/68.
Bureau letters to Sacramento dated 7/24/68, 8/15/68, and 8/21/68.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED None						ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☐ NO
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		
APPROVED JAW COPIES MADE: ② - Bureau (9-48337) 1 - USA, Sacramento 1 - Sacramento (9-36)						DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW 9-48337-5 SEP 3 1968 REC-34 EX-100	
Dissemination Record of Attached Report						Notations	
Agency	1cc [REDACTED] CRD. 6-94					[REDACTED] b7c [REDACTED] T.	
Request Recd.	[REDACTED] 9/6/68						
Date Fwd.	[REDACTED] b7c						
How Fwd.	[REDACTED]						
By	[REDACTED]						

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - U. S. Attorney, Sacramento
(Attn: AUSA JAMES H. DAFFER)

Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c Office: Sacramento
Date: August 29, 1968

Field Office File #: SC 9-36 Bureau File #: 9-48337

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY - VICTIM

Character: EXTORTION - RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

Anonymous letter postmarked Vallejo, California, 6/19/68, addressed to NAACP, Vallejo, California. Envelope contained a photograph of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING cut from a magazine and a handwritten note containing possible threat against Rev. RALPH ABERNATHY. Letter searched against anonymous letter file, FBI Lab, without effecting an identification. No latent fingerprints of value developed on envelope, letter, or photo from magazine. USA, Sacramento, of opinion letter might be considered violation of Extortion Statute.

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DETAILS:

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Investigation in this case was predicated upon information furnished by [REDACTED] National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Vallejo, California, Branch who appeared at the Vallejo Resident Agency of the FBI on July 19, 1968, and turned over an anonymous letter received by him. The letter was addressed to NAACP, 1912 Broadway, Vallejo, California, 94590. The envelope contained a photograph of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING cut from a magazine which is quoted as follows:

SC 9-36

"Take a good look old '(obscene) mouth' himself. Abernathy is another one. Someone will get him. Wait and see. You Niggers cannot throw yourselves around preaching violence. It will come home to you. 'Reap what you sew.' Old Humphry is just the oposite from a '(obscene) mouth.' He is a fellow with an alum mouth. Both sound like a Hell fire, damnation hillbilly preacher."

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b7D [REDACTED] states that there has been at least one prior letter received by the NAACP, Vallejo, in the same vein.

On July 19, 1968, Assistant U. S. Attorney JAMES H. DAFFER, Sacramento, California, consulted as to whether the anonymous letter could be considered a threat under the Extortion Statute. He is inclined to think it is not, but does not want to give a firm opinion until he has researched the law on this subject.

On July 26, 1968, Assistant U.S. Attorney DAFFER, Sacramento, advised that in his opinion the communication referred to, from a legal standpoint, might be considered a violation of the Federal Extortion Statute.

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Sacramento

August 15, 1968

Re: UNSUB;
REVEREND RALPH
ABERNATHY - VICTIM
EXTORTION - RI
OO: Sacramento

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director
YOUR NO. 9-36
FBI FILE NO. 9-48337
LAB. NO. D-630802032 EQ

Reference Letter dated July 29, 1968

The material described below has been searched in the following file without effecting an identification: **Anonymous Letter File**

Copies have been added to this file for future reference.

The submitted material is temporarily retained.

MATERIAL SUBMITTED:

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "VALLEJO, CA JUN 19 PM 1968 94590," bearing handwritten address "N.A.A.C.P. Vallejo Branch. 1912 Broadway. Vallejo Calif 94590"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "Take a good look..." and ending "hill billy preacher."
- Q3 Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King

Remarks:

You will be advised separately regarding the latent fingerprint report.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-36
FBI FILE NO. 9-48337
LATENT CASE NO. 95818

August 21, 1968

TO: SAC, Sacramento

RE: UNSUB.;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY -
VICTIM
EXTORTION - RM

REFERENCE: Letter 7/29/68
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Sacramento
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1
Letter, Q2
Picture of Dr. Martin Luther King, Q3

No latent prints of value developed on specimens,
Q1 through Q3.

Q1 through Q3 enclosed.

Laboratory report separate.

Enc (3)

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: **FBI, Washington Field Office**

Date: **December 18, 1969**
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Re: **UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY;
SENATOR
EUGENE MC CARTHY; et al.; -
Victims;
EXTORTION**

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[REDACTED]
J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

D-691216048 LF

Examination requested by:

Bureau

Reference:

Letter 12/16/69

Examination requested:

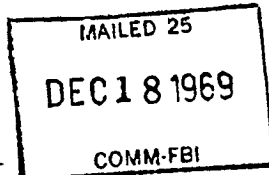
Document-Fingerprint

Remarks:

**You will be separately advised of the results of the
latent fingerprint examination.**

EX-105

REC-89



Tolson _____
DeLoach _____
Mohr _____
Bishop _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
Felt _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Rm. _____
Holmes _____
Gandy _____

Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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[REDACTED]

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REPORT of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: **FBI, Washington Field Office**
 Re: **UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
 REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY; SENATOR
 EUGENE MC CARTHY; et al.;- Victims
 EXTORTION**

Date: **December 18, 1969**
 FBI File No.
 Lab. No. **D-691216048 LF**

Specimens received **12/16/69**

Q1 Torn envelope bearing no postmark bearing the hand printed address [REDACTED]

Q2 Photograph from newspaper bearing hand printed message beginning "NEXT TO ..." and ending "... MONEY & GUNS"

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were searched in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Copies will be added thereto.

Q1 and Q2 contain no watermarks, indented writing of significance, or any other identifying characteristics which would assist in determining their source.

The postage stamp on specimen Q1 originated from a sheet of stamps.

The physical characteristics of the submitted items have been noted and are maintained for future reference.

The submitted evidence and photographs thereof are retained in the Bureau files.

Tolson _____
 DeLoach _____
 Mohr _____
 Bishop _____
 Casper _____
 Callahan _____
 Conrad _____
 Felt _____
 Gale _____
 Rosen _____
 Sullivan _____
 Tavel _____
 Trotter _____
 Tele. Room _____
 Holmes _____
 Gandy _____

MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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Recorded 12/16/69

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

No Lab File

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY; SENATOR
EUGENE MCCARTHY; ET AL - Victims
~~H. RAPP BROWN~~
~~STOKELY CARMICHAEL~~
EXTORTION

File # **9- 50516**
Lab. # D-691216048 LF

Examination requested by: *Bureau* Buquest 12/16/69

Examination requested: Document- Fingerprint

Date received: 12/16/69

Result of Examination:

Examination by: 

Q1 & Q2 neg ALF. added.

Q1 & Q2 no works or incl. went up neg b7c

Stamp Q1 sheet

Physicals maintained

Send a photo retained in Bu file

Sep address  LFP results

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Specimens submitted for examination

Q1 Envelope/postmark bearing no bearing the hand ~~written~~ printed address ~~bearing~~.

Q2 PHOTOGRAPH ~~of~~ NEWSPAPER ~~Photograph~~
Newspaper clipping ~~beginning~~ "NEXT TO..." and ending "... We have MONEY..."

Searched HP Upper Case H, O.C. Md, Va.
Searched VIP file all names mentioned - same
neg  12/16/69

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2 - WFO

RETURN EVIDENCE

LAB REPORT
12-18-69 b7c

bearing hand printed message
beginning "NEXT TO..." and ending
"---- MONEY & GUNS"

Q1 torn white envelope 6.3" x 3.6" .0047
no indented writing or watermarks.
stamp sheet

Q2 7.9" x 6.48" newspaper clipping, .0030"
no indented writing or watermarks.

HP - no 1 fine tip felt.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION**

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LATENT CASE NO.

January 2, 1970**A-15083**TO: **SAC, WFO**

RE: **UNKNOWN SUBJECT**
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY
SENATOR EUGENE MC CARTHY
ET AL. - VICTIMS
EXTORTION

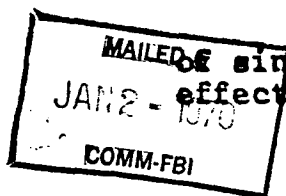
REFERENCE: **Bureau letter 12-16-69**
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: **Bureau**
 SPECIMENS: **Envelope, Q1**
Newspaper clipping, Q2

The listed Q specimens are described in the Laboratory report, which is being furnished separately.

One latent fingerprint of value developed on Q2. No latent prints of value developed Q1.

Latent fingerprint searched extortion section of single fingerprint file, but no identification effected.

Specimens retained Bufiles. **9-50516-2**



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Tolson _____
 DeLoach _____
 Walters _____
 Mohr _____
 Bishop _____
 Casper _____
 Callahan _____
 Conrad _____
 Felt _____
 Gale _____
 Rosen _____
 Sullivan _____
 Tavel _____
 Soyars _____
 Tele. Rm. _____
 Holmes _____
 Gandy _____

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

John Edgar Hoover, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE No Lab File
Recorded: 12-19-69, Time: 2:17 p.m., Received: 12-19-69
Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABEL CATHY; SENATOR
EUGENE MCCARTHY; ET AL - Victims
~~ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED~~
EXEMPTION

File # **9-50516-2**
Lab. # **D-691216018 LF**
LC# A-15083

Examination requested by: Buquest 12/16/69, letter

Examination requested: Document- Fingerprint

Result of Examination:

Date received:

12/16/69

Examination by:

NOTED BY:

sprayed 12-19
Q2 & photo 12-21
1 lat fingerprint Q2 12-22
no lat to Q1

Ans to WFO

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 Envelope/postmarked bearing the handwritten printed address bearing no
ing ~~_____~~
- Q2 Newspaper clipping ~~fff~~ with the words at the top of the Photograph
beginning "Next to Go ..." and ending "... We Have MONEY ~~fff~~ & ~~fff~~
GUNS"

has searched in Atlanta ... 12-24-69
Lab rep req.
Specimens retained Bufiles

RETURN EVIDENCE

Examination completed

2:00
Time

12/29
Date

Dictated

12/29
Date

December 16, 1969

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9-50516-2

1 - [REDACTED]

(1)

[REDACTED]

691216048

Dear [REDACTED]

I received your letter of December 10, 1969, and its enclosures.

I can understand your concern and I appreciate your forwarding the material to me.

You can be assured appropriate action has been initiated.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - WFO

NOTE TO WFO: Enclosed are Xerox copies of a letter, its envelope and its enclosures which were received at the Bureau. Discuss possible violation of Federal law with Office of U. S. Attorney and advise.

For your information, [REDACTED] cannot be identified in Bureau files from information furnished. Original letter and its enclosures have been sent to the Laboratory and Identification Division for examination and you will be advised of the results.

SEE BUREAU NOTE PAGE TWO.....

INDEX FILES

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NOTE:

Correspondent furnished a newspaper photograph of Reverend Ralph Abernathy, Senator Eugene McCarthy and others which was date lined "The Washington Post, Thursday, December 4, 1969." In red ink across the top of the photographs appears the following: "Next to G. 1, (which was placed by Abernathy's photograph) 2, Rap, 3, Stokely, 4, Preacher Faunteroy, We know where they are. We have money & guns."

The Washington Field Office has been instructed to discuss with the Office of U. S. Attorney possible violation of Federal law.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Recorded 12/16/69

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No Lab File

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
REVEREND RALPH ABERNATHY; SENATOR
EUGENE MCCARTHY; ET AL; - Victims
~~ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED~~
~~HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED~~
EXCERPTION

File #

Lab. #

D-691216048 LF

Examination requested by:

Buquest 12/16/69

Examination requested:

Document- Fingerprint

Date received:

Examination by: 12/16/69

Result of Examination:

L7PS
handle
and
return
in full

12/17/69

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Examined and retained
in Profile b7c

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Received by LFPS

~~1270~~

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Specimens submitted for examination

bear. of. no

C1

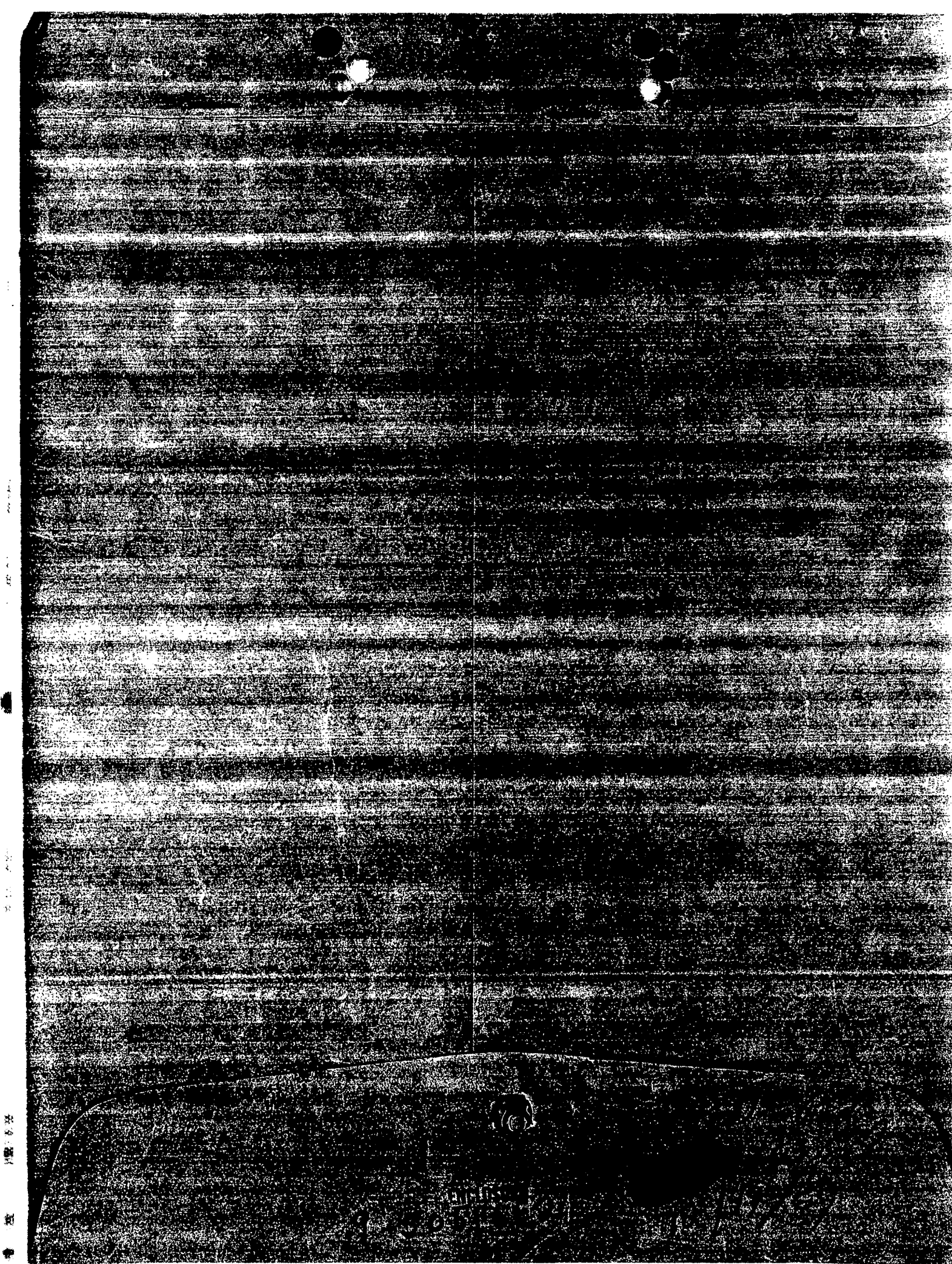
bearing no
Envelope/postmarked bearing the handwritten printed address beginn-
ing [REDACTED]

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Newspaper clipping ~~for~~ with the words at the top of the Photograph beginning "Next to Go ..." and ending "... We Have MONEY ~~for~~ & ~~guns~~ GUNS"

RETURN EVIDENCE



Q1 D-691216048 LF

FBI
LABORATORY



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SENT TO C. O. B. MAP ⑤ - STOP HERE FOR TRANSCRIPTION
W. W. WINGG

THE WASHINGTON POST, Thursday, Dec. 4, 1969, A-11



LC A-15083 (44)
Q2 D-601216048 LF

FBI
LABORATORY

Dr. Steve Sabbo - The Washington Post
on. Editor McCarty is greeted by the Rev. Ralph Abernathy at informal session of hunger conference participants.

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UNISONIC TRANS
SCRIPTO MECH
STANBACK HEA

F B I

Date: 12/23/69

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via _____

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-NEW) (P)

UNSUB; Threatening Letter
REVEREND RALPH D. ABERNATHY - VICTIM
H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
REVEREND WALTER E. FAUNTROY - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO: WFO)

Re WFO airtel to Bureau dated 12/19/69.

Enclosed for Memphis is one copy of reairtel.

Memphis is requested to notify RALPH ABERNATHY and appropriate local authorities of the threat in captioned matter inasmuch as ABERNATHY is presently incarcerated in Jail in Memphis, Tenn.

Atlanta has notified _____
_____, SCLC, Atlanta, as well as local authorities.

2-Bureau
2-Memphis (enc. 1)
2-WFO
2-Atlanta

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REC-87

9-50516-3

DEC 26 1969

Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____

Per _____

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Date: 12/30/69

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TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Memphis (9-1554) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Threatening Letter
 REVEREND RALPH D. ABERNATHY - VICTIM
 H. RAP BROWN - VICTIM
 STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
 REVEREND WALTER E. FAUNTROY - VICTIM
 EXTORTION
 OO: WFO

Re WFO airtel to Director, 12/19/69, and Atlanta
 airtel to Director, 12/23/69.

The Reverend RALPH D. ABERNATHY departed Memphis,
 Tennessee, for Atlanta, Georgia, on 12/26/69.

[REDACTED] Intelligence Unit, Memphis
 Police Department, and **[REDACTED]** Shelby County
 Sheriff's Office, have been notified of this threat against
 ABERNATHY in view of the fact ABERNATHY has stated he will
 return to Memphis periodically.

Atlanta is requested to notify the Reverend RALPH
 D. ABERNATHY of this threat.

Airtel ✓Teletype /

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Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Walters	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Soyars	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

12/19/69

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (9-New) (P)

UNSUB;
Threatening Letter
REVEREND RALPH D. ABERNATHY-Victim
H. RAP BROWN-Victim
STOKELY CARMICHAEL-Victim
REVEREND WALTER E. FAUNTROY-Victim
EXTORTION
(OO:WFO)

Re Bulet to WFO, 12/16/69.

For information of Atlanta and New York, the 12/4/69, edition of "The Washington Post" carried a photograph taken at a "hunger conference" conducted in Washington, D.C. (WDC), picturing Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY, and Reverend RALPH ABERNATHY, among others, [REDACTED]

The photo was clipped from a copy of the paper by an unknown person and marked as follows: A circled one (1) was placed next to ABERNATHY, across the top was written "Next to go (2) RAP (3) STOKELY (4) Preacher FAUNTROY. We know where they are. We (illegible) money and guns". It was not signed.

6-Bureau (2-9-New)
(1-100-442706) (ABERNATHY)

3-Atlanta
3-New York
5-WFO

(1-9-New) (1-157-1654) (ABERNATHY)

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This matter was discussed with AUSA NICHOLAS MUNZIO, WDC, on 12/18/69, by SA [REDACTED] MUNZIO advised it is his opinion that there is not enough of a direct threat contained to consider prosecution of unknown subject for Violation of Federal law if identified.

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This matter was brought to the attention of [REDACTED] Intelligence Division, Metropolitan Police Department, (MPD), WDC, on the same date. It was also brought to the attention of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Reverend WALTER E. FAUNTROY, who was to bring it to his attention.

Case will be closed with communication confirming opinion of AUSA, WDC.

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Atlanta the case of ABERNATHY.

LEADS

ATLANTA

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA Notify ABERNATHY and appropriate local authorities, of threat.

WFO 9-New

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY Notify BROWN and appropriate, of
threat. *Local
authorities*

FBI

Date: 2/17/70

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (9-1959) (RUC)

UNSUB; Threatening Letter
REVEREND RALPH D. CABERNATHY - VICTIM
H. RAY BROWN - VICTIM
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
REVEREND WALTER E. FAUNTROY - VICTIM
EXTORTION

OO: WFO

Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau, dated 12/23/69.

No further information regarding captioned matter
has been received by Atlanta.

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This case is considered RUC. Deleted Copy Sent
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1-Atlanta
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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/18/70

FROM : SAC, WFO (9-2401) (C)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Threatening Letter
Reverend RALPH D. ABERNATHY - VICTIM
H. RAY BROWN - VICTIM
STOKELY CARMICHAEL - VICTIM
Reverend WALTER E. FAUNTROY - VICTIM
EXTORTION
(OO:WFO)

All appropriate notifications have been made in this matter, and opinion of AUSA, Washington, D.C., has been confirmed by separate communication.

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Mailgram



THIS MAILGRAM WAS TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY WESTERN UNION TO A POST OFFICE NEAR YOU FOR DELIVERY

MR CLARENCE KELLY DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION US JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON DC 20013

D.C.R.

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All deceased

THE FOLLOWING IS A COPY OF A MESSAGE SENT TO MR WILLIAM SAXBY WE
REQUEST AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION INTO THE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE
OF MR JOHN STERLING MR LONNIE BARETT MR LEROY HOLLOWAY MR MARVIN
WALKER AND MR ROBERT WALKER WHO ALL DISAPPEARED ON NOVEMBER 29TH
WHILE ALLEGEDLY ON A FISHING EXPEDITION NEAR PENSICOLA FLORIDA
IN THE SANTA ROSA SOUND WE BELIEVE THAT DUE TO THE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEAR-
NCE OF THESE MEN AND THE UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF THEIR CERTAIN
EVAPORATION FROM THAT AREA THAT THEIR CONSTITUTION AND THEIR CIVIL
RIGHTS MAY HAVE BEEN VIOLATED WE ALSO REQUEST THAT YOUR INVESTIGATION
ENTAILS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THESE MEN MAY HAVE BEEN TRANSPORTED
ACROSS STATE LINES OF GEORGIA TO FLORIDA AGAINST THEIR WILL WHICH
IS A FEDERAL OFFENSE OUR FEELINGS AT THIS TIME IS THAT ALL OF THESE
MEN ARE THE VICTIMS OF FOUL PLAY POSSIBLY MURDER WE URGE YOUR OFFICE
YOUR DIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN AN
IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION INTO THEIR MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE WE AWAIT
YOUR IMMEDIATE AND URGENT REPLY TO OUR REQUESTS

DR RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY NATIONAL PRESIDENT SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (THE FAMILIES OF MR JOHN STERLING THE FAMILY
OF MR LONNIE BARETT THE FAMILY OF MR LEROY HOLLOWAY THE FAMILY
OF MR MARVIN WALKER THE FAMILY OF MR ROBERT WALKER

15:12 EST

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Acc by letter
12/17/74
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1 - SAC, [redacted] (Enc)
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1 - SAC, [redacted] (Enc)
Memo
To [redacted]
12/11/74
b7c [redacted] CORRESPONDENCE b7c

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December 17, 1974

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EX-111

Mr. Ralph David Abernathy
National President
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Dr. Abernathy:

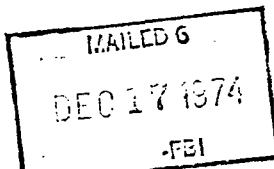
This is to acknowledge receipt of your Mail-gram dated December 11, 1974, addressed to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your communication to the Civil Rights Division of the U. S. Department of Justice, and in the event you have any further inquiry regarding this matter, it is suggested that you communicate directly with the Civil Rights Division, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. 20530.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director



- 1 - Assistant Attorney General (Enclosure) (Enclosed is a Civil Rights Division copy of incoming.)

NOTE: This confirms conversation with Departmental Attorney William Gardner on December 16, 1974, wherein he advised no investigation should be conducted at this time. In any future correspondence, refer to caption: "Unknown Subjects; Officials, Escambia County Sheriff's Office, Escambia County, Florida; John Sterling (Deceased); Lonnie Marett (Deceased); Marvin Walker (Deceased); Robert Walker (Deceased); Leroy Holloway - Victims; Tyrone L. Brooks - Complainant; Civil Rights."

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- 1 - SAC, Jacksonville (Enclosure) (Enclosed is a copy of incoming.)
- 1 - SAC, Atlanta (Enclosure) (Enclosed is a copy of incoming.)

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Dr. Ralph David Abernathy

b7c NOTE: See memorandum, [REDACTED] to Gebhardt, dated 12/16/74, captioned: Unknown Subjects, Officials, Escambia County Sheriff's Office, Escambia County, Florida; John Sterling (Dec.); Et Al. - Victims; Tyrone L. Brooks - Complainant; Civil Rights.

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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4:05 PM NITEL DECEMBER 14, 1974

TO DIRECTOR

ATLANTA (44-NEW)

FROM JACKSONVILLE (44-NEW) (C)

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UNSUBS; OFFICIALS, ESCAMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLA., JOHN STERLING (DECEASED); LONNIE
MARETT (DECEASED); MARVIN WALKER (DECEASED); ROBERT WALKER
(DECEASED); LEROY HOLLOWAY - VICTIMS; TYRONE L. BROOKS -
COMPLAINANT. CR. *deceased*

RE ATLANTA NITEL TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER 13, 1974.

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Memo to
Belmont
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RALPH ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE (SCLC), ACCOMPANIED BY BERNARD LEE, SCLC EXECUTIVE
VICE PRESIDENT, AND TYRONE BROOKS, SCLC COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR,
ARRIVED IN PENSACOLA DECEMBER 12, 1974, WHERE MET WITH H. K.
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MATTHEWS, OTHA LEVERETTE, AND WILLIAM MARSHALL, LOCAL SCLC
OFFICIALS. ABERNATHY IN INTERVIEW WITH LOCAL NEWSPAPER,
"THE PENSACOLA JOURNAL", ON DECEMBER 12, 1974, CHARGED "FOUL
PLAY AND POSSIBLY MURDER" RE INSTANT DROWNINGS, HOWEVER, HE
STATED HE HAD NO EVIDENCE TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS CHARGE. ABERNATHY
LEFT PENSACOLA AREA DECEMBER 13, 1974.

NO CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT RECEIVED AND NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION
BEING CONDUCTED AT JACKSONVILLE.

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Date: 12/18/74

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To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

☐ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
☒ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION
☐ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

From: SAC, ATLANTA (44-3983) (RUC)

Subject: UNSUBS;
 OFFICIALS, ESCAMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
 ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA,
 JOHN STERLING (DECEASED); LONNIE MARETT (DECEASED);
 MARVIN WALKER (DECEASED); ROBERT WALKER (DECEASED);
 LEROY HOLLOWAY - VICTIMS; TYRONE L. BROOKS - COMPLAINANT

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☐ AP ☐ IWFC ☐ CWAA ☐ FI
☐ EID ☐ Bomb Threats ☐ Extremist Matters
☐ White Hate ☐ Black

Summary of Complaint:

ReATnitel to Bureau, 12/13/74, Jacksonville nitel
 to Bureau, 12/14/74, and ATtel to Bureau, 12/17/74.

Complainant, in the company of several unidentified
 Negro individuals and representatives of the local news
 media, appeared at the Atlanta Office, FBI, 12/17/74, for the
 purpose of an unannounced press conference. Complainant
 and company not permitted access to FBI space for purpose
 of press conference but rather held the conference in the
 public hallway. Complainant distributed prepared news release
 from SCLC detailing basis for allegations of violation of
 Civil Rights of captioned individuals.

ACTION: UAC

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 4) ☒ No further action being taken and
 (RM) ☒ LHM enclosed
 2 - Jacksonville (Enc. 3) ☐ FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
 2 - Atlanta ☐ LHM being submitted
☐ Report being submitted
☐ Preliminary investigation instituted
☐ Limited investigation instituted
☐ Investigation continuing

Atlanta, Ga.
☒ Copy to: ☒ USA, Jacksonville, F
☐ Secret Service
☐ ATF

17 DEC 28 1974

Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

Sent

Per [Signature]

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[REDACTED] Copy of prepared news release obtained and conference was conducted in an orderly fashion. Complainant's comments regarding FBI handling this matter were complimentary.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

December 18, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
OFFICIALS, ESCAMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA,
JOHN STERLING (DECEASED);
LONNIE MARETT (DECEASED);
MARVIN WALKER (DECEASED);
ROBERT WALKER (DECEASED);
LEROY HOLLOWAY - VICTIMS;
TYRONE L. BROOKS - COMPLAINANT;
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AT 44-3983

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b7C The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Special Clerk,
at Atlanta, Georgia, on December 17, 1974:

TYRONE L. BROOKS, National Communications Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), appeared at the Atlanta Office of the FBI, Atlanta, Georgia, in the company of several unidentified Negro individuals and several representatives of the local news media of Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of holding a press conference at the Atlanta Office of the FBI. Plans regarding this conference were unknown to the Atlanta Office of the FBI and Mr. BROOKS was advised that he would not be permitted to use FBI Office space for the purpose of holding a press conference. Mr. BROOKS, however, convened the conference in the public hallway in the vicinity of the FBI Office, Atlanta, Georgia. It was later disclosed that representatives of the WSBTV Station, WAGATV Station, the "Atlanta Journal" newspaper, and the "Atlanta Inquirer" newspaper were represented at the conference.

Mr. BROOKS detailed the results of his recent weekend trip to Pensacola, Florida, wherein, he attempted to develop information regarding the boating accident which resulted in the deaths of four Atlanta, Georgia, residents and one being listed as missing. BROOKS circulated to the representatives of the various news media, a prepared statement which set forth specifically, the results of his investigation and his basis for not accepting the conclusions furnished by authorities in Escambia County, Florida.

Mr. BROOKS stated publicly that the SCLC had received the full cooperation of the FBI Office in Atlanta in handling the complainant in this matter and indicated that he was frankly surprised as it is not usual for black people to be able to air their grievances in such a fashion. He indicated repeatedly, his gratitude to the FBI concerning their cooperation and concern in this matter.

The press conference conducted by BROOKS was handled in an orderly fashion and those individuals present departed immediately at its conclusion.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 12/18/74

TYRONE L. BROOKS, National Communications Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), appeared at the Atlanta Office of the FBI stating at the outset that he intended to conduct a news conference regarding the incident in Escambia County, Florida, involving the five Negro males of Atlanta, four of them having drowned in a boating mishap.

Mr. BROOKS stated that he wished to furnish a copy of a news release compiled by him which details the results of his "investigative mission" to Pensacola, Florida, on or about December 14, 1974.

A copy of that document is attached.

Interviewed on 12/17/74 at Atlanta, Ga. File AT 44-3983

by SC [REDACTED] b7c SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 12/18/74

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Southern NEWS Conference

34 Auburn Ave. N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Telephone 522-1420

Ralph D. Abernathy, President

Martin Luther King, Jr., Founding President
1957-1968

FOR RELEASE: Immediately

SCLC Charges Murder in Pensacola Fla. Atlanta, Ga. Dec. 17, 1974.

The purpose of this conference Ladies and Gentlemen is to announce the results of our weekend investigative mission to Pensacola, Fla. My first stop was in the Black Community where I talked to many persons who informed me that they could not believe that five grown men who were professional fishermen could fall out of a boat and no one would be able to survive.

Now as you already know, Mr. John Sterling, Mr. Lonnie Merrit, Mr. Leroy Holloway, Mr. Marvin Walker, and Mr. Robert Walker all left for Pensacola, Fla. Friday evening Nov. 29th, at approximately 7:30 p.m. They arrived in Pensacola, Fla. at approximately 3:00 a.m. Upon their arrival they went to a White owned Bait Shop in the Black Community and purchased some Bait. While in the process of purchasing the Bait they became engaged or involved in an argument with the white owner over the price of the Bait. They left after buying the Bait. Later, they returned to the store to apologize to the owner for the argument. When they returned to apologize the owner called some division of Law enforcement to file a complaint against the men. We do not know if the men were arrested or not. But according to our information they were taken 38 miles outside of Pensacola to some kind of Building that resembled a castle.

That afternoon at approximately 2 p.m. Atlanta time the Coast Guard called Mr. Melvin Walker who is the son of Mr. Robert Walker and informed him that the boat that was registered to a Mr. Robert Walker of Atlanta, Ga. was floating in the Santa Rosa Sound with the key in the ignition, both tanks full of gasoline, The throttle was in neutral. They informed him that everything seemed to be in order and that there was not any signs of Foul Play. Mr. Walker gave the Coast Guard official the names of all of the men who should have been on the boat. The men were no where to be found. They were listed as missing that afternoon which was Nov. 30th.

Later that same evening the officials found the camper that the men drove to Pensacola and searched it thoroughly. There were no signs of Foul Play. While searching through the camper they found food, clothing, ice, bait, tackle, coolers, and other items were not on the boat, they were in the camper. The Coast Guard has stated that the men were not in the process of fishing, because everything that one would take to fish was still in the camper. Nothing else was said about the missing men by the Coast Guard or the local Law enforcement agencies for several days, until family members began to inform members of the Atlanta News Media.

When the Atlanta Media began to inquire about the missing men the Pensacola Media began to inquire into this mysterious disappearance of the five men. The Pensacola Media did not know that the men were Black until the Atlanta Media informed them. The Racial Identity of the men was being concealed by local authorities.

The families of the men were not receiving any cooperation from local authorities in their search for their missing loved ones. Finally on Sat. Dec. 7, 1974 around 2 p.m., I received a call from Deacon Maddox of the West Hunter St. Baptist Church. Deacon Maddox asked me if SCLC would help these poor families in their attempt to locate their missing relatives. I stated to Deacon Maddox that I was willing to meet with the families any time that was convenient for them. I stated to him also that he could count on Dr. Abernathy to lend his assistance on behalf of the entire organization. Later that evening I stated publicly that SCLC would be meeting with the families to help them with their search for the missing men. The word went out that Sunday that Monday the authorities in Pensacola informed the Marvin Walker family that his body had been found. It seems quite strange that the authorities could not find any of the missing men from Nov. 29th until Dec. 9th. But as soon as the word got out that SCLC was entering the case the bodies began to appear. We question whether or not the Local law enforcement authorities knew all along where the bodies were located. All of the bodies were found within a five day period.

Last Thursday Evening Dr. Abernathy, Rev. Bernard Lee, and myself visited Pensacola to initiate our own investigation. We went directly to the County Sheriff's office where we met with Mr. Royal Untriever. Mr. Untriever told us that he was not investigating the mystery surrounding the missing men, nor did he plan to start any investigation into the matters. Sheriff Untriever insulted us and the families by stating and I quote him "All the information I have on this I obtained from the newspaper. That same evening Dr. Abernathy, Rev. Lee, Rev. H. K. Mathews, Rev. Otha Leverette and two local newspaper reporters visited the county Hospital where Dr. Abernathy personally viewed what he thought were the bodies of Mr. Robert Walker and Mr. John Sterling. Dr. Abernathy said to us afterwards that the bodies looked normal to him. But the normal condition of the bodies raised serious questions because any body that had been in those salty, fishy, waters should not have looked so normal.

Now we question whether or not we were shown two bodies of someone else and not the bodies of Robert Walker and John Sterling.

We raise this question ~~this~~ because now the authorities and the Morticians are telling the families that the bodies are in such bad condition that no one should see them. Dr. Abernathy did not know these men personally so he did not know whose body he was looking at. But we wonder if the authorities deliberately switched bodies ~~to~~ throw us off this case. Later that night we went out to the waters where the boat was launched and had a lengthy discussion with Mr. Gary Cooper of the Sheriff's Office and Mr. Roger Gaddy of the Rescue unit. As we were about to leave and make our journey to the Coast Guard Station these two men stated in a promising gesture that they were sure that they would find the Bodies of Mr. Lonnie Merritt and Mr. Leroy Holloway the next day. We wondered how they could make such a promise when they said that they had been unable to find any bodies from Nov. 29th until Dec. 9th. Sure enough the next day their bodies apperaed. This raises additional questions as to whether or not local authorities were involed in this mysterious case.

We went directly to the Coast Guard station in an attempt to meet with Chief Cruise who had left for the day. We were not able to meet him. Mr. Cruise did not have the decency or respect enough for us or the families to come back to the station. We were not able to get hardly any information from the Coast Guard. We left the Coast Guard station and went directly to Rev. Leverett's Church where Dr. Abernathy addressed a mass rally. While Dr. Abernathy was speaking a strange anonymous white man appeared and began to tell Rev. Bernard Lee and Rev. H. K. Mathews a weird story about his night out with these three Black men that weekend. He was full of lies and his story didn't hold water. We think he was sent to the meeting to cause confusion and to throw us off the case. That next day in Atlanta the Atlanta Constitution ran a story saying that a Mr. Joe Sullivan a black man had talked to the dead men and warned them not to go out in those dangerous waters. We have checked Mr. Joe Sullivans story out and it does not hold water. Mr. Sullivan in quoted in the Nov. 13th edition of the Pensacola Journal stating that he talked to the five dead men that Friday evening Nov. 29th while he was out trying out a boat. He say's it was approaching dark when he talked to them and warned them that their boat was overloaded and that the waters were too rough. Mr. Sullivans story is a complete Fabrication of the truth, Because the men did not leave Atlanta until around 7:30 p.m. Nov. 29th and they could not have arrived in Pensacola until approximately 2:30 or 3:00 A.M. Sat. Nov 30th. He could not have seen them late Sat. evening Nov. 30th because the Coast Guard had found the boat floating in the waters earlier ~~in the morning~~ earlier that day and notified Mr. Melvin Walker here in Atlanta around 2 p.m.

So Mr. Sullivan's story is a lie. But why did he lie. We charge that he told a deliberate lie to throw us off the case. Sunday afternoon while I was in Pensacola I called the residence of Mr. Joe Sullivan that I obtained from information I called that Number and when the lady that answered found out who I was she hung the phone up immediately. I do not know if this is the residence of the same Joe Sullivan that claims he talked to the men. This is the only no. I was able to obtain from the phone co. The other serious question that we must not forget is that Mr. John Sterling was still wearing his glasses when he was found floating in Santa Rosa Sound. It would seem impossible for his body to stay in those turbulent waters that long and his glasses not come off. And it seems strange how five men would drown in the same location and not one would be able to survive. When they are in an unsinkable Fiberglass Bottom 19 inch, 135 horse power boat.

And if they did accidentally drown why were their bodies discovered 2 - 3 - 4 miles apart? Dr. Abernathys' life and my life has been threatened since we became involved in this case. We have received many phone calls telling us in so many words that if we do not stay out of this case we would be found floating in the waters also. I have not informed Dr. Abernathy of this as of yet because it is not unusual for SCLC officials to receive threats. But this is a very unusual number of the same kind of threats relating to the same case.

I was under constant surveillance while in Pensacola and I think I am still under Surveillance because of our involvement in this case. So at this time ladies and gentlemen we charge that the deaths of John Sterling, Lonnie Merrit, Leroy Holloway, Marvin Walker, and Robert Walker were not accidental, but that their deaths are a case of murder. Where they were murdered is a mystery. But we suspect that they were murdered away from where their boat was found and that their bodies were placed in the water when it became known that SCLC was entering the case and was going to Pensacola to launch our own investigation, We suspect also that local Law Enforcement and other authorities may some how be involved in the murder of these men.

All of our information is being supplied to the U.S. Justice Dept. and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

We are urging these Federal Agencies to move in now and begin an investigation into these murders immediately. We call on the Federal Govt. because the victims civil and constitutional rights have been violated, and that there is a possibility that there bodies may have been transported across state lines.

Statement by:
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, Pres.

Family of the Deceased:
Elizabeth Sterling
Lillie Mae Merrit
Rosa Lee Walker

For More Information Contact:

Tyrone Brooks

404-522-1420

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

DATE: January 2, 1975

ATTN: MR. WILLIAM GARDNER

FROM : Director, FBI

FILE COPY

SUBJECT: UNSUBS;
OFFICIALS, ESCAMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA,
JOHN STERLING (DECEASED); LONNIE MARETT (DECEASED);
MARVIN WALKER (DECEASED); ROBERT WALKER (DECEASED);
LEROY HOLLOWAY - VICTIMS; TYRONE L. BROOKS - COMPLAINANT
CR

Reference is made to my memorandum dated 12/19/74
(your file _____).

There is enclosed one copy of the ~~report of Special Agent~~ an LHM
dated 12/18/74 at Atlanta.

A. ☐ This covers the preliminary investigation and no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B. ☐ The investigation is continuing and you will be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C. ☐ The investigation requested by you has now been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further inquiries will be made by this Bureau.

D. ☒ Pursuant to instructions issued by the Department, no investigation will be conducted in this matter unless specifically directed by the Department.

E. ☐ Please advise whether you desire any further investigation.

F. ☐ This is submitted for your information and you will be advised of further developments.

G. ☐ This is submitted for your information and no further investigation will be conducted unless specifically requested by the Department.

H. ☐ This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

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NOTE: This confirms a conversation relative to the enclosed with Departmental Attorney William Gardner on 1/2/75.

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NR013 AT PLAIN

7:52 PM NITEL DECEMBER 13, 1974

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
JACKSONVILLE

FROM: ATLANTA (44-NEW) (P)

UNSUBS; OFFICIALS, ESCAMBIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESCAMBIA
COUNTY, FLA., JOHN/STERLING (DECEASED); LONNIE/MARETT (DECEASED);
MARVIN/WALKER (DECEASED); ROBERT/WALKER (DECEASED); LEROY
HOLLOWAY - VICTIMS; TYRONE L. BROOKS - COMPLAINANT. CR.

ON DECEMBER 13, 1974, COMPLAINANT, NEGRO MALE, NATIONAL
COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR, SCLC, APPEARED ATLANTA OFFICE, FBI,
WITH NEWSPAPER REPORTERS, ADVISING VICTIMS DISAPPEARED NOVEMBER
29, 1974, NEAR SANTA ROSA SOUND, FLA. BELIEVES WERE VICTIMS
OF FOUL PLAY AND ESCAMBIA COUNTY SO RELUCTANT TO PURSUE
INVESTIGATION AS ALL VICTIMS BLACK.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PRESS IN-
QUIRIES.

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APPEARANCE OF REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT UNIVERSITY FORUM, ILLINOIS
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INFORMATIVE NOTE

4/19/72

Date

Attached sets forth information concerning Reverend Ralph David Abernathy, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and a speech he made at Illinois State University on 4/18/72. Abernathy was highly critical of the Director and the FBI's operation. Abernathy also was critical of the war in Southeast Asia and was particularly critical of the increased bombing urging immediate U.S. withdrawal.

Pertinent parts of Abernathy's statements concerning the war in Southeast Asia will be included in the summary to the White House, Vice President, Acting Attorney General and Secret Service.

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Mr. Miller, ES	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
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APPEARANCE OF REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT UNIVERSITY FORUM,
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM COLUMBIA (176-NEW)

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DATE 7-9-92 BY 334,459

REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, ANTI-RIOT LAWS.

RE COLUMBIA TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU P.M. JUNE NINETEEN
SIXTY NINE.

MAYOR J. PALMER GAILLARD, CHARLESTON, S. C., TELEPHONICALLY
FURNISHED FOLLOWING ON JUNE NINETEEN SIXTY NINE:

HE IS MAKING OFFICIAL REQUEST ON BEHALF OF CITY OF CHARLESTON,
S. C., FOR INVESTIGATION OF ABERNATHY AND HIS ASSOCIATES BY FBI
UNDER ANTI-RIOT LAWS AS HE FEELS ABERNATHY'S ACTIVITIES IS
VIOLATION OF ANTI-RIOT LAWS

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U.S. ATTORNEY

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WILL BE SUBMITTED WITHIN FIVE DAYS.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

June 19, 1969

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The results of preliminary investigation
to consist of interviews [REDACTED] and a discussion with the U. S.
Attorney will be furnished to the Department
and no further investigation will be conducted
unless specifically requested by the Department.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM COLUMBIA (176-13) 2P

REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE, ANTI-RIOT LAWS.

RE COLUMBIA TEL TO BUREAU JUNE NINETEEN LAST.

ON JUNE NINETEEN SIXTYNINE, MAYOR OF CHARLESTON, S.C., REQUESTED
FBI INVESTIGATION OF ABERNATHY AND ASSOCIATES UNDER PROVISIONS OF ANTI-
RIOT LAWS IN VIEW OF ATTEMPTED MARCH ON NIGHT OF JUNE EIGHTEEN, SIXTY-
NINE AT CHARLESTON, S.C., RESULTING IN WINDOWS BEING BROKEN IN STORE.

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USA, COLUMBIA, S.C., ADVISED JUNE TWENTY INSTANT, SUFFICIENT
INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED FOR PRELIMINARY INQUIRY. CLOSING REPORT BEING
SUBMITTED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 6/23/69

FROM : **CRIMINAL DIVISION**
Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. JEROME HEILBRON

SUBJECT: **REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE,
ANTIRIOT LAWS**

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Reference is made to _____ memorandum dated _____
(your file _____).

There is enclosed one copy of the report of Special
Agent _____ dated ~~6/20/69~~ **6/20/69**
~~XXXXX~~ teletype _____
at **Columbia**.

A. ☐ This covers the preliminary investigation and
no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken
by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B. ☒ The investigation is continuing and you will
be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C. ☐ The investigation requested by you has now
been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further in-
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D. ☐ Pursuant to instructions issued by the Depart-
ment, no investigation will be conducted in this matter unless
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E. ☐ Please advise whether you desire any further in-
vestigation.

F. ☐ This is submitted for your information and you
will be advised of further developments.

G. ☐ This is submitted for your information and
further investigation will be conducted unless specifically re-
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H. ☐ This covers the receipt of a complaint and no
further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department
so directs.

Note: Also enclosed is one copy each of the teletypes
Enc. 2 dated 6/20, 21/69 at Columbia captioned, "MEDICAL COLLEGE
HOSPITAL, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S.C., CHARLESTON, S.C.;
PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE NEGRO UNION. RM-ARL.

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7:48PM URGENT 6/20/69

TO: DIRECTOR (157-13569) AND ATLANTA

FROM: COLUMBIA (157-5430) (P)

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MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S. C., CHARLESTON,
S. C.; PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE NEGRO UNION. RM-ARL.

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SECRET SERVICE, MILITARY INTELLIGENCE GROUP, USA, APPROPRIATE
LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

UACB SEPARATE ARL INVESTIGATIONS NOT BEING INSTITUTED AT THIS
TIME. COLUMBIA DIVISION WILL FOLLOW ACTIVITIES THIS EVENING AND
IF CONFRONTATION OCCURS WILL INSTITUTE ARL INVESTIGATIONS WHERE
WARRANTED.

ATLANTA ADVISE IF ABOVE NAMED PERSONS ARE ALL SCLC STAFF MEMBERS
AND WHETHER ANY KNOWN TO HAVE MADE STATEMENTS WHICH MIGHT SUPPORT
ARL VIOLATION.

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ORIG: MR. SULLIVAN

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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JUN 21 1969

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FBI-COLUMBIA

230AM EDT URGENT 6/21/69

TO DIRECTOR (157-13569)

FROM COLUMBIA (157-5430) 4P

MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S.C., CHARLESTON, S.C.,
PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE NEGRO UNION. RM-ARL.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF EVENTS AT CHARLESTON, S.C., ON
JUNE TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

AT ABOUT TWELVE THIRTY P.M., JUNE TWENTY SIXTYNINE, TWENTY
STRIKING NEGRO EMPLOYEES AND SUPPORTERS PICKETED AT THE SQUIRREL INN
RESTAURANT IN SUMMERVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, WHERE GOVERNOR ROBERT MC NAIR
WAS HAVING LUNCH. SUMMERVILLE LOCATED APPROXIMATELY TWENTY MILES
NORTHWEST OF CHARLESTON. PICKETED FOR SHORT TIME AND LEFT AND NO
ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS.

ON JUNE TWENTY SIXTYNINE, OFFICE OF GOVERNOR MC NAIR REQUESTED
INVESTIGATION OF ACTIVITIES OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
(SCLC) IN CHARLESTON AS CHIEF J. P. STROM, SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCE-
MENT DIVISION (SCLED), HAD ADVISED GOVERNOR'S OFFICE THERE WERE AT LEAST
SIXTEEN PEOPLE FROM SCLC WHO HAD COME TO CHARLESTON FROM OTHER STATES
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AND SCLC HAD PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED THEY WOULD HAVE A NIGHT MARCH ON JUNE
TWENTY SIXTYNINE EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD BEEN TOLD IT WAS AGAINST THE LAW.

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APPROXIMATELY SEVENTYFIVE CITY POLICEMEN, SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY
PATROL, (SCHP), AND SCNG WERE AT THE SCENE AND THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY
TWO HUNDRED DEMONSTRATORS. POLICE MOVED CROWDS BACK AND THEY BROKE UP
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INTO SMALL GROUPS. ROCKS AND OTHER DEBRIS CONTINUED TO BE THROWN AT POLICE AND AS OF TWELVE THIRTY A.M., JUNE TWENTYONE SIXTYNINE, UNKNOWN NUMBER WERE AT THE CHURCH WHERE THEY RETREATED WHEN POLICE FORCED THEM BACK.

A STATIONWAGON BELONGING TO NEWS MEDIA WAS TURNED OVER BY DEMONSTRATORS AT APPROXIMATELY ONE A.M., JUNE TWENTYONE SIXTYNINE IN VICINITY OF MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH.

ONE MALE NEGRO WITH FIRE BOMB IN POSSESSION ARRESTED ABOUT NINE THIRTY P.M., JUNE TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

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RE COLUMBIA TELETYPES TO BUREAU, JUNE TWENTY SIXTYNINE.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 6/23/69 1-1

CRIMINAL DIVISION

FROM : Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. JEROME HEILBRON

SUBJECT: REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
ANTIRIOT LAWS

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RALPH D. ABERNATHY AND HOSEA WILLIAMS, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), WERE ARRESTED BY CHARLESTON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CHARGED WITH INCITING A RIOT, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, OBSTRUCTING ROADS, AND PARADING WITHOUT A PERMIT. TWO OTHER NEGRO MALES ARRESTED WERE CHARGED WITH INCITING A RIOT AND INTERFERING WITH POLICE OFFICERS.

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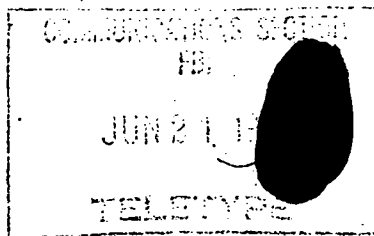
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TO DIRECTOR (157-13569), JACKSON AND ATLANTA
FROM COLUMBIA (157-5430) 2P

MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S. C.,
CHARLESTON, S. C.; PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE
NEGRO UNION. RM - ARL.

RADIO NEWS REPORT JUNE TWENTY ONE INSTANT STATES HEARING
BEFORE MAGISTRATE DONALD BARKOWITZ AT CHARLESTON, S. C. FOR RALPH
D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT AND HOSEA WILLIAMS SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) AND THEY WERE BOUND OVER TO COURT OF
GENERAL SESSIONS UNDER FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS BOND EACH. THEY
WERE CHARGED UNDER COMMON LAW STATUTE WITH INCITING TO RIOT.

GOVERNOR ROBERT E. MC NAIR IMPOSED CURFEW ON PART OF CITY OF
CHARLESTON TO GO INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY FROM HOURS OF NINE
PM TO FIVE AM. CURFEW AREA BORDERED TO NORTH BY MT. PLEASANT
STREET, ON THE SOUTH BY CHARLESTON HARBOR, ON THE EAST BY COOPER
RIVER AND ON THE WEST BY THE ASHLEY RIVER.

AT APPROXIMATELY ONE PM TODAY, SEVENTY STRIKING NEGRO EMPLOYEES
AND SUPPORTERS DEMONSTRATED AT KING AND WENTWORTH STREETS, MAIN
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BUSINESS SECTION OF TOWN, BLOCKING TRAFFIC WHICH DID NOT ALLOW
PEOPLE TO WALK ON SIDEWALK. [REDACTED]

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S. C. AND APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES NOTIFIED.

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COLUMBIA TELETYPES TO BUREAU, JUNE TWENTY ONE INSTANT. LHM FOLLOWS.
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TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 6/25/69

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CRIMINAL DIVISION

FROM : Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. JEROME HEILBRON

SUBJECT: ^①
**REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
ANTIRIOT LAWS**

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MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S. C., CHARLESTON, S. C.; PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE NEGRO UNION. RM.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF EVENTS AT CHARLESTON, S.C., ON JUNE TWENTYONE SIXTYNINE.

RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), HOSEA WILLIAMS, SCLC, AND TWO CHARLESTON MALE NEGROES ARRESTED EARLY MORNING OF JUNE TWENTYONE SIXTYNINE AND ALL FOUR CHARGED WITH INCITING TO RIOT. AT HEARING ON JUNE TWENTYONE SIXTYNINE ALL FOUR HELD ON FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR BOND EACH ON RIOT CHARGE. ABERNATHY AND WILLIAMS ADDITIONALLY CHARGED WITH DISORDERLY CONDUCT, OBSTRUCTING ROADS AND PARADING WITHOUT PERMIT AND TWO HUNDRED BOND SET ON EACH CHARGE. OTHER TWO NEGROES ADDITIONALLY CHARGED WITH INTERFERING WITH POLICE OFFICER AND BOND OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS SET.

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GOVERNOR ROBERT MC NAIR PLACED PART OF CITY OF CHARLESTON
UNDER CURFEW BETWEEN HOURS OF NINE P.M. TO FIVE A.M.

AT ABOUT ONE P.M. SEVENTY STRIKING NEGRO EMPLOYEES AND
SUPPORTERS DEMONSTRATED AT CORNER OF KING AND WENTHWORTH STREETS,
MAIN BUSINESS SECTION, BLOCKING TRAFFIC AND INTERFERING WITH PEDESTRIANS
THIRTYFIVE ARRESTED (NEGROES), MOSTLY ADULTS, AND CHARGED WITH DIS-
ORDERLY CONDUCT AND INTERFERING WITH CITIZENS AND BOND SET AT TWO
HUNDRED DOLLARS ON EACH CHARGE. JUVENILES RELEASED TO PARENTS.

ABERNATHY AND WILLIAMS REMAIN IN CHARLESTON COUNTY JAIL
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AT EIGHT TWENTYFIVE P.M. APPROXIMATELY ONE TWO FIVE STRIKING
NEGRO EMPLOYEES AND SUPPORTERS LEFT ABOVE CHURCH AND MARCHED TO INTER-
SECTION OF CHAPEL AND ALEXANDER STREETS (NEGRO AREA) WHERE STOPPED BY
POLICE AND TOLD COULD NOT PARADE WITHOUT PERMIT. GROUP PROCEEDED
PEACEFULLY BACK TOWARDS CHURCH AND STARTED LEAVING THE AREA AT EIGHT
FIFTY P.M. WERE LED BY CAR FARRIS, JAMES BEVEL AND J. T. JOHNSON, ALL
SCLC, AND NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS.

TWO FOUR SIX S. C. NATIONAL GUARDSMEN, SEVENTYFIVE EXTRA
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S. C. HIGHWAY PATROLMEN AND TWENTY SCLED AGENTS ON DUTY IN CHARLESTON.

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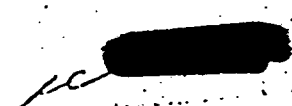
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 6/25/69

CRIMINAL DIVISION

FROM : Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. JEROME HEILBRON

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THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF EVENTS AT CHARLESTON, S. C., ON
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RALLY HELD BY STRIKING NEGRO EMPLOYEES AND SUPPORTERS AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, CHARLESTON AT FOUR THIRTY P.M. JUNE TWENTY-FOUR SIXTYNINE. AT SIX ZERO FIVE P.M. GROUP OF ABOUT ONE ZERO ZERO LEFT CHURCH AND WALKED ON SIDEWALKS ABOUT FOUR BLOCKS TO GADSDEN-GREEN STREET, ALL NEGRO HOUSING PROJECT, SOLICITED SUPPORT AND THEN WALKED TO SPRING-HAGOOD STREET WHERE POLICE LINE SET UP. AT SIX TWENTYFIVE P.M. REACH POLICE LINE AND THEN TURNED AND WALKED BACK TO HOUSING PROJECT WITHOUT BEING TOLD TO DISPERSE AND NO CONFRONTATION WITH POLICE. GROUP LED BY TRAVIS GARTER, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), AND AT SEVEN ZERO FIVE LEFT HOUSING PROJECT AND RETURNED TO CHURCH.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR. AND A. D. KING, FATHER AND BROTHER RESPECTIVELY OF LATE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SCHEDULED TO BE MAIN SPEAKERS AT CHURCH. NOT KNOWN IF THEY SHOWED UP AND MEETING BROKE UP IN ORDERLY MANNER AT EIGHT FORTY P.M.

RALPH D. ABERNATHY AND HOSEA WILLIAMS, SCLC, BOTH STILL IN CHARLESTON COUNTY JAIL AND ABERNATHY ON HUNGER STRIKE BUT IS TAKING LIQUID.

ONE TWO EIGHT NATIONAL GUARDMEN, SEVENTYFIVE S. C. HIGHWAY PATROLMEN, AND SEVENTEEN S. C. LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION AGENTS ON DUTY IN CHARLESTON.

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U. S. SECRET SERVICE, USA, MILITARY INTELLIGENCE GROUP, AND
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

All persons interviewed were advised that this investigation conducted at specific request of AAG WILL R. WILSON, Criminal Division, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

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REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY
PRESIDENT
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Character:

ANTIRIOT LAWS

Synopsis:

Mayor, Charleston, S. C. on 6/19/69, requested
FBI investigation of ABERNATHY and his associates under
provisions of Antiriot Laws

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USA, Columbia, S. C. advised sufficient investigation
conducted in this matter.

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DETAILS:

This is a preliminary investigation.

This investigation is predicated upon a complaint received from Mayor J. PALMER GAILLARD, Charleston, South Carolina, who telephonically advised on June 19, 1969, that he was making an official request on behalf of the City of Charleston, S. C., for investigation of the Reverend RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY and his associates by the FBI under the provisions of the Antiriot Laws as he feels ABERNATHY's activities are a violation of the Antiriot Laws.

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On June 20, 1969, United States Attorney KLYDE ROBINSON, Columbia, South Carolina, advised that sufficient investigation had been conducted in this matter during preliminary inquiry. He further requested this matter be forwarded to Criminal Division of the Department as soon as possible since he did not have authority to authorize or decline prosecution or request additional investigation.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 7/11/69

FROM : **CRIMINAL DIVISION**
Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. JEROME HEILBRON

SUBJECT: **REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY**
PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
ANTIRIOT LAWS

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Reference is made to My memorandum dated 6/25/69
(your file _____).

There is enclosed one copy of the ~~report of Special Agent~~
~~letterhead memorandum~~ dated 6/27/69
at Columbia.

A. ☐ This covers the preliminary investigation and no further action concerning a full investigation will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

B. ☒ The investigation is continuing and you will be furnished copies of reports as they are received.

C. ☐ The investigation requested by you has now been completed. Unless advised to the contrary no further inquiries will be made by this Bureau.

D. ☐ Pursuant to instructions issued by the Department, no investigation will be conducted in this matter unless specifically directed by the Department.

E. ☐ Please advise whether you desire any further investigation.

F. ☐ This is submitted for your information and you will be advised of further developments.

G. ☐ This is submitted for your information and no further investigation will be conducted unless specifically requested by the Department.

H. ☐ This covers the receipt of a complaint and no further action will be taken by this Bureau unless the Department so directs.

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Date: 6/27/69

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To: Director, FBI(157-13596) ATTENTION:
☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
 From: SAC, COLUMBIA (157-5430) (P) ☐ GENERAL INVEST. DIV.
☒ DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.
 Subject: MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL,
 MEDICAL COLLEGE OF S.C., CHARLESTON, S.C.;
 PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING TO ORGANIZE
 NEGRO UNION

☐ CR ☐ EL ☐ VRA-65 ☐ CRA-64
☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF
☐ BM ☐ BM-Threats ☒ Racial Matters ☐ Klan ☐ Organization

Re CO airtel to Bureau, 6/26/69.
 Summary of Complaint:

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and ten copies
 of an LHM captioned as above, suitable for dissemination,
 concerning events that transpired at Charleston, S.C., on 6/21/69.

Copies of LHM being furnished to USA, 111th MIG, SS,
 all Columbia, S.C., and NISO, Charleston, S.C.

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ACTION: UACB:

- ☐ No further action being taken and
☒ LHM enclosed ☒ Copy furnished to USA, Columbia
☐ LHM being submitted
☐ Report being submitted
☐ Preliminary investigation instituted
☐ Limited investigation instituted

Approved: _____
 Special Agent in Charge

Sent 176-1544 M Per _____
 ENCLOSURE A

AGENCY: ORD. DIV., IIU, 100, CD, b7c
 ACT. DIV. 55
 HOW FORM: JUL 9 1969
 DATE FORW: 1



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Columbia, South Carolina

JUNE 27, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No.

MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL
MEDICAL COLLEGE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA;
PICKETING BY GROUP ATTEMPTING
TO ORGANIZE NEGRO UNION

Reference is made to previous Columbia memorandum captioned as above, and dated June 26, 1969.

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MEDICAL COLLEGE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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On the night of June 21, 1969, striking Negro employees and their supporters held a rally at the Memorial Baptist Church, 153 Alexander Street, Charleston, South Carolina. At approximately 8:25 P.M., about 125 individuals left the above church and marched to the intersection of Chapel and Alexander Streets, an all Negro area, where they were stopped by police. They were told they could not parade without a permit and the group then proceeded back toward the church, and started leaving the area at 8:50 P.M. This group was led by Carl Farris and J. T. Johnson, both associated with SCLC. There were no arrests or incidents in connection with the above attempted march.

b7D As of June 21, 1969, Abernathy and Williams were in the Charleston County Jail. Charleston, South Carolina [REDACTED]

As of June 21, 1969, there were 246 South Carolina National Guardsmen, 75 extra South Carolina Highway Patrolmen, and 20 SCLC Agents on duty in Charleston, South Carolina.

July 3, 1969

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TO: SAC, Columbia (176-13)
FROM: Director, FBI

REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY,
PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
ANTIRIOT LAWS

Re Columbia teletype, 7:56 p.m., 6/21/69, captioned
"Medical College Hospital, Medical College of S. C., Charleston,
S. C., Picketing by Group Attempting to Organize Negro Union, RM,"
Columbia file 157-5430. b7c

Re teletype indicates that [REDACTED]

By return airtel, advise if [REDACTED] has
yet been received by your office. If so, promptly furnish the
Bureau a copy [REDACTED]
in form suitable for dissemination.

If above mentioned [REDACTED] has
already been furnished the Bureau, advise as to date and caption
under which it was submitted.

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NOTE:

A preliminary investigation was conducted concerning the activities of Reverend Abernathy at Charleston, South Carolina, in connection with the strike of hospital workers in that city. The results of this investigation were furnished the Department and no additional investigation has been requested.

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Re teletype indicated Columbia was to furnish the
Bureau a copy [REDACTED] Bureau files do not reflect receipt
[REDACTED] and Charleston is being instructed to submit same.

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Date: 7-7-69

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FROM: SAC, COLUMBIA (176-13)
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PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
ANTIRIOT LAWS

Re Bureau airtel to Columbia, 7-3-69.

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[redacted] in a form suitable for dissemination. At the same time Columbia will furnish the Bureau a copy [redacted]

This matter will be handled expeditiously.

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② Bureau
2- Columbia
(4) [redacted] b7c

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Approved: [redacted] Sent _____ M Per [redacted]
Special Agent in Charge [redacted] b7c

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Date: 7/16/69

Date Forw. 7/23/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, COLUMBIA (176-13) (C)
SUBJECT: REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY,
PRESIDENT,
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
(SCLC)
ANTIRIOT LAWS
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Re Columbia airtel to Bureau, 7/7/69, no copies for Atlanta.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy *[redacted]* *b7D*

concerning captioned matter is also enclosed for the Bureau.

b7c Two copies of this LHM are enclosed for the Atlanta Division for their information.

One copy of this LHM is being furnished to USA Columbia, S. C., 11th MIG and Secret Service, Columbia, S. C., and NISO, Charleston, S. C. *b7c*

[redacted]
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No additional investigation is being conducted by the Columbia Division.

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2 - Atlanta (Enc. 3) (RM)

2 - Columbia (Enc. 3) (RM)

Approved: *[redacted]*

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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COLUMBIA, South Carolina

July 16, 1963

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REVEREND RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY
PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

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*Memorandum*TO : Mr. Bassett *HB*

DATE: 9/21/78

FROM :

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 7-10-92 BY 334,459SUBJECT: Reverend Ralph David Abernathy,
President,
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
(SCLC)
Antiriot Laws

Bulky Exhibit File Number: 176-1544-7

We are in the process of reviewing all bulky exhibits in order that we may dispose of those which serve no further purpose. Inasmuch as many of the bulky exhibits pertain to inactive cases and are occupying badly needed space, it is requested that the appropriate substantive supervisor review the above-listed bulky exhibit and render a decision as to its retention or disposition. A notation as to the decision reached may be placed on this memorandum. This memorandum, file, bulky enclosure and its contents, should be returned to Room 1B970, JEH-FBI Building, for appropriate handling.

RECOMMENDATION:

That captioned bulky exhibit be reviewed and a decision rendered as to the retention or disposition of the material.

☐ Retain☒ Destroy☐ Other Disposition _____

Reason for Decision

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Signature of Reviewing Supervisor

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